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GERMANS CLAIM THREE TOWNS

SUCCESSES ON BOTH ENDS OF FRONT

THE German News Agency last night quoted "usually well-informed quarters" for the claim that two towns—Kholm, on the Leningrad front, and Byelaya-Tserkov, on the Kiev front—had been captured. Kholm was mentioned as a centre of "fierce fighting" in the Russian morning communiqué yesterday, but was not named in the mid-day communiqué, which reported continued fighting in the directions of Smolensk and Korosten, ninety miles north-west of Kiev. Byelaya-Tserkov is forty-five miles south-west of Kiev.

The German communiqué yesterday claimed the capture of Taps, in Estonia, and showed that the Soviet troops were counter-attacking in the Ukraine. These attacks, described as "attempts to break out of the narrow space in which they are confined," were said to have been thwarted, "sections of the enemy being wiped out."

The Germans also found what they described as a "new" Russian force confronting them south-east of Smolensk, but claimed that it was partly annihilated and partly encircled.

The Soviet communiqué this morning announces that Soviet forces continued fighting in the directions of Korosten, Byelaya-Tserkov and on the Smolensk sector of the front.

KIEV-ODESSA LINE CUT

By getting to Byelaya-Tserkov the Germans have reached one of the railways from Kiev to Odessa, but there is another from which they are still a long way off.

Whether the Germans intend to abandon the drive on Moscow in favour of a push towards Leningrad and in the Kiev sector remains to be seen, says the Press Association.

Reports from Helsinki indicate that the Finns plan to make an effort to reach a line where they can await German forces from Estonia with the object of launching a joint attack on Leningrad. As already stated, the German High Command yesterday claimed the capture of Taps, in Estonia.

The Russian defence of Sortavala, on the shores of Lake Ladoga, is greatly helped by naval forces based on the islands in the lake, says a Finnish report, while increased air activity in that region is attributed to the withdrawal of the Soviet's Air Forces from Estonia.

In a supplement to their early morning communiqué yesterday the Russians claimed that marines had evicted White Finns from "islands in the northern district," the location of which was not given.

GERMAN CLAIMS

A Reuter message from Stockholm says that suggestions that the German High Command want the German public to regard operations round Smolensk as terminated were made by Berlin correspondents of the Swedish newspapers yesterday. The startling new claims of successful encirclement round Kiev, they point out, are similar to those made at the beginning of the fighting round Smolensk.

The Germans are also making similar promises of enormous new captures of men and material in this more southerly sector, adds the message.

Reports received from Finland indicate that the Finns are expecting the early fall of Sortavala, on the shores of Lake Ladoga, and on the flank of any drive on Leningrad from the north. The main ground for their belief, however, appears to be only that Finnish pressure has continued long enough to justify such a hope. The Finns claim to have made considerable progress both in the region of Lake Ladoga and in the Suomussalmi sector further north.

LEAVING ESTONIA?

The Helsinki newspaper *Hufvudstadbladet* says that Russian resistance in Estonia is nearing an end, and that the Russians are already transferring their air forces from Estonia. The bulk of them, it adds, are going to the Finnish front, which explains the increased air activity in the Ladoga sector. The Finns claim to have sunk Soviet transports bound for Hangoe and believed to have been laden with troops. Since they do not regard it as likely that the Russians would attempt an offensive in the Hangoe region, they say they conclude that these troops had been evacuated from Estonia.

The German News Agency claimed last night that the "greatest part" of the Red Air Force had been eliminated by the *Luftwaffe* and that the 'planes which the Russians still had left evaded the German 'planes when they could, says Associated Press.

The German News Agency yesterday stated that a German force had captured 6,000 Russian prisoners, 80 cannon and 368 lorries in the Ukraine, says the Associated Press.

Expanding this claim, the German radio said that the number of killed and wounded "far exceeded the number of prisoners." In the battlefield in front of one German division alone 1,400 Soviet soldiers were killed, among them being officers and political commissars, the radio said.

170 DIVISIONS

In a war review, the Moscow paper, *Pravda*, estimates that, in their assault against the Soviet, the Germans launched forces two or three times greater than the defending Red troops and far greater than those used on the Western front against France.

The newspaper estimates that up to 170 German divisions were being used, with one-third armoured or motorised, with 30 divisions of 15,000 tanks, plus 10,000 first-line 'planes.—(Associated Press.)

KIEV LINE BROKEN

The German Agency also stated that German forces broke into extensive Russian field positions on Monday south of Kiev and seized 43 pill-boxes.

It was also claimed that the remnants of four Soviet Divisions had been destroyed in a wood on the southern sector of the front. German artillery shelled the forest, silenced Soviet batteries, and cut the lines of retreat. German infantry then attacked and "cleared the whole sector of Soviet troops."

Another German infantry regiment was said to have completely wiped out another small Soviet "pocket." In the central area one Soviet Division "brought to the front a few days ago has been completely annihilated," the radio added.

After claiming that the German offensive "is far from having stopped," and that the advance was proceeding steadily, the German military commentator admitted that the Germans were meeting strong resistance, and that difficult terrain was adding to their problems.

The German News Agency claims that German panzer shock troops on the night of August 4 de-railed a large Soviet troop train, which was bringing back remnants of Soviet troops and war material to the southern sector of the eastern front.

The German radio claims that Messerschmitt fighters, on August 3, machine-gunned three Soviet trains north of Lake Peipus. The trains were fully laden with troops, field guns and equipment of every kind.

SOVIET CHALLENGE

The Soviet Army organ, *Red Star*, yesterday said that, though the Germans were not yet defeated, "the failure of Hitler's *Blitzkrieg* plans is already clear."

"The German leaders placed great confidence in their Air Force, but in the East everything went topsy turvy," added *Red Star*. "Their Air Force did not achieve decisive supremacy. The powerful Soviet Air Force is implacably and methodically gaining domination in the air."

The paper, having reviewed other aspects of the war, comments:—"At this time the Red Army, which is beating back the invaders, is as yet carrying out only a strategic defence. Men of the Red Army are far from complacency. We clearly realise that the enemy forces are large, and that his reserves are far from being exhausted. The war is just beginning; we still may have to face many trials, but no matter what the obstacles victory will be ours."

The Italian Expeditionary Force which is going to fight against the Russians is in Rumania, it was disclosed by Professor Mihail Antonesco, the Rumanian Vice-Premier, last night.

BRITISH SHIPS' DARING RAID

DESTROYERS ENTER AN ITALIAN HARBOUR

A SEAPLANE base and an aerodrome in Sardinia were severely damaged by gunfire from British destroyers, which penetrated the harbour waters last Friday, followed by an attack by naval aircraft.

A British Admiralty communiqué yesterday stated:—

"During the last few days minor operations have been taking place in the Western Mediterranean. Destroyers entered the roadstead of Alghero and the harbour of Porto Conte, in Sardinia, early on Friday morning.

"The seaplane slipway and hangars at Porto Conte were severely damaged by gunfire. No shipping was found in the anchorage at Alghero, but the aerodrome was bombarded, and this was followed by an attack by naval aircraft, when buildings and hangars were struck and set on fire."

Another Admiralty communiqué states:—

"A twin-engined German bomber was shot down on Monday by H.M. trawler Norland (Skipper, R. J. Knight, R.N.R.). The enemy aircraft burst into flames on being hit, and was seen to fall into the sea. There were no casualties in H.M. trawler Norland."

RAIDS ON MIDDLE EAST SHIPPING

While patrols are active outside Tobruk the R.A.F. has struck again at occupied centres in Cyrenaica and at shipping off the coast. Near Appollonia three ships are claimed to have been hit, and on Sunday, when an 8,000 tons merchant vessel was hit in Tripoli Harbour by a heavy bomb, great quantities of wreckage were thrown up into the air.

25 TENTS ON FIRE

"Heavy bombers of the R.A.F. carried out a number of successful operations in Cyrenaica during the night of August 3-4. One formation attacked the port at Derna, causing considerable damage and starting a number of fires," the Middle East Royal Air Force communiqué stated last night.

"Two buildings at the base of the Mole were destroyed. Bombs were also dropped on a landing ground and on a battery, which was silenced.

"Other aircraft attacked a landing ground and dispersal area at Gazala, and caused a series of explosions and several fires. Huts and a camp in the vicinity were machine-gunned from a few hundred feet, and about 25 tents caught fire. Martuba landing ground was also bombed, and fires and explosions were observed among dispersed aircraft.

SHIPS ATTACKED

"An attack was delivered on enemy shipping off the coast near Appollonia, and hits were made on one ship and possibly on another. Enemy merchant vessels were again attacked in the same area yesterday and two are believed to have been hit.

"R.A.F. bombers carried out a successful attack on shipping in the harbour at Tripoli on August 3. One merchant vessel of 8,000 tons was hit by a heavy bomb and the violent explosions which followed threw up a great quantity of wreckage into the air. Two direct hits were obtained on military buildings, which were also machine-gunned.

"A reconnaissance of Reggio shows that in the attack reported in yesterday's *communiqué* ten Macchi 200's and a Breda 25 were destroyed, while about twenty more Macchis were damaged, several very badly.

"From the above operations all our aircraft returned safely."

ITALIAN ACCOUNT OF TOBRUK AFFAIR

ROME, Tuesday.

The British attack in the Tobruk sector was "particularly violent," says the Italian News Agency's correspondent at the front, elaborating to-day's Italian *communiqué*.

"The British, firmly resolved to bring off a success, had prepared their action carefully. For about two hours heavy artillery preparation was made in the sector picked for the British attack. The British troops met with strong reaction from the defence, whose accurate and telling fire caused death and disorder among the attackers.

"Troops of the German African Corps immediately launched a counter-attack, taking prisoners and capturing arms and ammunition. A second and final counter-attack, carried out by Allied troops, finally repulsed the British forces, who regained their positions with all speed after sustaining appreciable losses and abandoning a great quantity of war material on the terrain."

90 DEAD IN SUEZ RAID

FROM REUTER'S CORRESPONDENT.

CAIRO, Tuesday.

Ninety people were killed and 100 injured during an air raid on the Suez Canal area last night, says a *communiqué* from the Egyptian Ministry of the Interior to-day. High explosive and incendiary bombs were dropped, causing some damage to property.

Parts of the Nile delta were also raided, but no casualties or damage are reported.

AGAINST ENTRY INTO WAR

NEW MOVE BY U.S. ISOLATIONISTS

ASSOCIATED PRESS TELEGRAM.

NEW YORK, Tuesday.

Fifteen Republican leaders, including Mr. Alf. Landon, former contestant for the Presidency, and ex-President Herbert Hoover, to-day joined in an appeal that "Congress put a stop to the step-by-step projection of the United States into an undeclared war."

The statement said that the fundamental principles of democratic government had been undermined "by naval action, by military occupation of bases outside the Western Hemisphere and by the promise of unauthorised aid to Russia."

It claimed that the war was not a world conflict between tyranny and freedom, and that "the Anglo-Russian alliance has dissipated that illusion."

Others signing the Isolationist statement were Frank Lowden, ex-Governor of Illinois; ex-Vice-President Charles Dawes (originator of the Dawes Plan) and John L. Lewis, President of the Mineworkers' Union.

Mr. J. Hone (captain), Major J. Aylmer and Sir John Maffey waiting their turn to bat at Phœnix Park, where Mr. Hone's XI. met a Phœnix C.C. XI.

THE LAW AND THE PROFITS

PETROL COUPONS COST A POUND

"RACKETEERING" in petrol, tea and other commodities, coupled with profiteering in goods which daily become more difficult to obtain, are reported by *Irish Times* representatives who have been engaged on assignments in the country.

In the Galway district last week petrol coupons, it is alleged, changed hands at £1 each, and, according to one person, passed freely at that price. Car owners, who had conserved enough petrol out of their ration to carry them to and from Galway for the races, found that the extra mileage mounted rapidly while travelling daily to and from the racecourse. Faced with the possibility of having their cars stranded in the West, or on the way home, they willingly paid fifteen shillings, and later a pound, for the coupons. They had, of course, also to pay for the petrol. A man who travels through the country quite a lot said that in Donegal and in areas near Dublin the price for petrol "on the side" recently had risen from five to eight shillings a gallon.

The tea "racket" also seems to be gathering momentum. It is said that in Donegal tea can be bought for six shillings a pound. The price in Kildare is as high as ten shillings in some places. It is known that in Dublin people have paid eight shillings a pound for tea.

It was stated also that candles, which formerly cost a shilling a pound, are retailing in country shops at from six to seven shillings. In a Dublin shop they were sold at nine shillings.

Soap, tinned goods, and even cocoa, are being bought at almost fabulous prices.

It is, of course, almost impossible to obtain definite evidence about excessive charges. The people who have the money are willing to pay any price for scarce commodities, so long as they get what they want.

MINER'S MARKED MAP

DUBLIN MAN SENT TO PRISON

Arriving at Barton Airport, Lancs., to board a 'plane for Dublin, Gerard O'Neill, 30, a miner, of Havelock square, Sandymount, Dublin, was found, according to evidence given at Eccles yesterday, to have a marked map of England and Wales in his suitcase. He pleaded guilty to having in his possession a map recording information which might be useful to the enemy, and was sentenced to three months' imprisonment.

Detective-Sergeant Naylor stated that the places marked were works where there were military and R.A.F. establishments, and one place was marked all round. O'Neill explained that the towns marked were places where he had worked, and said that he had no intention of using any information detrimental to the war effort, and it never struck him that it was an an offence to carry the maps out of the country.

Questioned by Superintendent Hogg about the place which was marked all round, O'Neill said: "I had a very good time there.

Superintendent Hogg—Is that the only place at which you had a good time?

O'Neill—That is outstanding.

Mr. Early, who defended, said, after O'Neill was sentenced, that notice of appeal might be given.

DEPRIVING JAPAN OF OIL

BRITISH MINISTER'S STATEMENT

Co-operation between Great Britain, the United States and the Netherlands to prevent oil supplies from reaching Japan has reached a practical stage, the British House of Commons was told yesterday by Mr. R. K. Law (Under-Secretary to the Foreign Office).

When Mr. P. J. Noel-Baker (Labour) asked if the Minister would impress upon the American Government that "much the best hope of preventing war in the Far East is to stop all oil supplies now," Mr. Law replied: "I am sure the American Government, like the British Government, is fully aware of the situation."

DEATH PENALTY DEMANDED

BULGARIANS WHO PLOTTED REVOLT

FROM REUTER'S CORRESPONDENT.

ROME, Tuesday.

The examining magistrate has demanded the death penalty for 31 Bulgarians and 4 foreigners accused of plotting a revolution in Bulgaria on behalf of Britain and Yugoslavia, says a Sofia despatch to the Italian News Agency. The trial will be held next month.

The name of one of the foreigners is given as Norman Davis, who is described as Deputy Director of the Press department at the British Legation, the despatch adds.

U.S. PRIVATE PROPERTY MOVE

FROM REUTER'S CORRESPONDENT.

WASHINGTON, Tuesday.

The House of Representatives to-day passed and sent back to the Senate for action on amendments legislation empowering President Roosevelt to acquire certain private property necessary for national defence.

R.A.F. ATTACK ON A CONVOY

SHIPS BOMBED OFF GERMAN COAST

A British Air Ministry *communiqué* last night stated:—

"Blenheim aircraft of the Bomber Command attacked an enemy convoy off the Dutch coast this morning. Direct hits were seen on a ship of about 2,000 tons.

"Other Blenheims bombed enemy patrol ships off the German coast early this afternoon and scored hits on three of them.

"Our fighters have carried out offensive patrols over the Channel and North France during the day. During one of these patrols low-level attacks were made on an aerodrome near Cherbourg and several enemy aircraft on the ground were hit and damaged.

"From these operations one of our aircraft, a fighter, is missing."

GERMAN REPORT OF CHANNEL SWEEP

"A large formation of Spitfires tried to penetrate the French Channel coast this afternoon, said the German radio last night, quoted by Reuter.

It is claimed that three Spitfires were shot down and that no German 'planes were lost.

AUSTRALIA'S PART IN THE WAR

£60,000,000 SHARE IN AIR SCHEME

PRESS ASSOCIATION FOREIGN SPECIAL.

SYDNEY, Tuesday.

Australia's increasing contribution to the Empire's war effort is illustrated in figures quoted in a speech to-day by Mr. Spender, Commonwealth Army Minister.

Upwards of fifty naval vessels, including minesweepers, patrol vessels and Tribal class detroyers, would be built, he said. The Navy's *personnel* had been increased by 350 per cent. since the war began, and enlistments were continuing at the rate of 5,000 men yearly.

The strength of the Royal Australian Air Force equalled three Army divisions, and Australia's share of the cost of the Empire air training scheme was likely to be £60,000,000 by March next.

Originally, Australia undertook to provide 16,000 airmen by March next and 10,000 annually after that, but these figures were increasing beyond recognition.

If the war extended beyond 1942, he concluded, the annual Army expenditure would be more than the total Army expenditure of the whole of the last war—£192,600,000.

BLOCKADE OF FINLAND

IN FORCE SINCE JUNE 14

Although diplomatic relations between Finland and Great Britain were broken off only a few days ago a blockade of Finland has been in operation since June 14, Mr. H. Dalton, British Minister of Economic Warfare, told the House of Commons yesterday. He said that early in June the British Government learned that German troops were being stationed in Finland, and on June 14 the first restrictive measures were taken.

Asked if the same policy was to be applied to France and Spain, Mr. Dalton said that that is another question.

U.S. ECONOMIC DEFENCE

A HELP TO BRITAIN, SAYS MR. DALTON

Measures for the economic defence of the United States, including an export licensing system which now covered almost all war commodities, a big programme of purchases of strategic material in Latin America, and the inclusion of 1,800 Axis firms in Latin America in the "freezing" orders, were described in the British House of Commons yesterday as "tightening the blockade of the enemy." Mr. H. Dalton, Minister of Economic Warfare, who alluded to the "remarkable development" of United States economic defence during the past six months, said that the British Government greatly appreciated the help which they were receiving from the United States Government.

ROOSEVELT MEETS NAVAL CHIEF

FROM REUTER'S CORRESPONDENT.

WASHINGTON, Tuesday.

President Roosevelt conferred on naval matters with Rear-Admiral Ernest King, Commander of the U.S. Atlantic Fleet aboard the yacht Potomac in New England waters to-day. A message from the Potomac—in which Mr. Roosevelt is spending a week's holiday—to the Navy Department in Washington gives this news. Presumably Admiral King boarded the Potomac at a sea rendezvous.

South of its rendezvous with the Potomac, the flagship of Rear-Admiral King and a United States coastguard cutter encountered a disabled British merchantman and towed her to Lynnhaven Inlet.

The damage to the merchantman was reported to be due to sabotage.

"SYRIA IS YOUR ANSWER"

FRENCH REPLY TO MR. SUMNER WELLES

MARSHAL PETAIN'S Government replied yesterday to the attack by Mr. Sumner Welles, Assistant United States Secretary of State, on France's action in French Indo-China, a Reuter's telegram from New York stated last night.

An official statement says:—

THE CASE OF SYRIA

"Mr. Welles expressed some doubt about the energy with which France would react in the event of an attack on her Empire at some points. Surely the heroic resistance of our troops in Syria to British aggression can be considered an adequate answer."

After referring to Mr. Welles's announcement that America's attitude towards Vichy would be "governed by the manner in which France defended her Empire," the statement continues: "The problems of Syria and Indo-China were in no sense comparable—Syria was the object of aggression, Indo-China was not. Moreover, though it may be true that the French Empire is one, Indo-China's geographical and political position is a peculiar one, by reason of its distance from Metropolitan France and the situation of Japan in Asia.

"Indo-China, therefore, could not afford to wait on events that might modify the equilibrium in the Far East.

FRENCH RIGHTS

"The disproportion between the Japanese forces and the meagre effectives of which France disposes in Indo-China fully explains the position which confronted her, and its inevitable consequences.

"What happened in no way detracts from French rights. Japan, in fact, formally recognised French sovereignty over the whole of French Indo-China. Further, it must be emphasised that in the negotiations leading up to the Darlan-Kato agreement, Japan urged that Indo-China was threatened by Powers opposed to the Japanese Empire."

MR. HULL AND FRANCE

ASSOCIATED PRESS.

WASHINGTON, Tuesday.

Mr. Cordell Hull, United States Secretary of State, told his Press conference to-day that he hoped to receive direct assurances from Vichy that the French Government would reject any Axis demands for military concessions in the French African territories.

Mr. Hull said that he had not yet received the official report of the statement issued in Vichy last night, which indicated that the French Government would deny military concessions to the Axis in Africa.

"NO FACILITIES FOR AXIS"

An authorised statement from Vichy yesterday indicated that the Axis would not be granted military facilities in French North Africa, such as Japan was given in Indo-China, even should the French Government consider that its African territory was "menaced."

This statement followed a long conference between Marshal Pétain and Admiral William Leahy, the United States Ambassador, on Saturday, and the sternly-worded statement by Mr. Sumner Welles condemning the French surrender in Indo-China.

LONDON NOT IMPRESSED

France's reported pledge to America not to allow Foreign Powers to occupy any other bases in the French Empire does not greatly impress authoritative circles in London, writes a Press Association Diplomatic Correspondent.

It was pointed out that this is by no means the first time that the French Government has stated its determination to resist encroachment of its territorial integrity.

BURNING SHIP OFF THE CAPE

SUNK BY WARSHIP AS A DANGER

ASSOCIATED PRESS.

CAPE TOWN, Tuesday.

Drifting ablaze for six days off the Cape of Good Hope, a British cargo ship of 5,500 tons, built in 1939, was finally sunk on July 19 by a warship in deep waters, where she would not be a danger to navigation.

News of her sinking was released to-day on the eve of an official inquiry into the cause of the fire, opening in Cape Town to-day.

Desperate attempts were made to save the ship and bring her to Table Bay, but tugs were driven off by the heat and also by the flying rivets which shot out of her sides whenever the red-hot plating was submerged through the rolling of the ship.

Fire broke out in her engine room a few hours after the ship sailed from Cape Town. One engineer managed to escape through the propellor shaft tunnel, but the chief engineer and the fourth engineer were burned to death.

When the whole ship was ablaze the crew of 33 took to the boats and were later picked up by a rescue ship.

The lost vessel carried mails for Europe and a big cargo of Rhodesian tobacco.

CAPTURED ITALIAN GUNS IN MALAYA

TIMES TELEGRAM.

SINGAPORE, Tuesday.

It is understood that considerable numbers of Italian Breda guns captured during the Libyan campaign are now in Malaya. These are fairly light mobile pieces, designed for use against tanks and aircraft, and it is stated that British ordnance experts here have carried out modifications which will make the guns more effective than when they arrived. Captured Italian guns have also passed through the Netherlands' Indies Army ordnance workshops at Bandoeng.—(Copyright, per P.A.)

Diplomatic relations between Norway and the Soviet Union were resumed in London yesterday by the exchange of letters between the Norwegian Foreign Minister and the Soviet Ambassador.

U.S. CRUISERS IN FAR EAST

BRITISH AND INDIAN TROOPS AT SINGAPORE

THE Foreign Minister of Thailand has informed the Japanese Legation in Bangkok that Thailand has formally recognised the Japanese-controlled Government of Manchukuo.

Large numbers of British and Indian forces have arrived at Singapore to reinforce the Malaya garrison. They include British naval ratings, Royal Marines and Royal Air Force personnel.

The U.S.A. cruisers Northampton and Salt Lake City arrived at Brisbane unexpectedly yesterday. They are officially described as being "on a training cruise."

A well-informed source at Saigon said that Chungking despatches indicated that a large well-equipped Chinese Army unit had arrived on the Burma frontier, prepared to cross at a moment's notice to join the British in preventing the Japanese from cutting the Burma Road, but authoritative British sources said that there was no information in London of any such Chinese move.

JAPAN AND THAILAND

FROM REUTER'S CORRESPONDENT.

TOKYO, Tuesday.

The official spokesman to-day was unable to give foreign correspondents a clear statement of Japanese policy towards Thailand. The Indo-China defence protocol, he said, spoke for itself. The Japanese mission was purely defensive. Reminded of military reports indicating that Japanese troops have taken up strong positions opposite the Thailand border, and asked if they were defending Indo-China against Thailand, the spokesman said: "That is a military matter on which I am not authorised to speak." Meantime, the Japanese Press continues to suggest that Thailand should follow the example of Indo-China in accepting Japanese protection.

Thai bankers have had to accommodate the Japanese Bank to enable it to face the consequences of the Anglo-American freezing order. The Japanese Press hails the bank credit and the recognition of Manchukuo as signifying Thailand's willing entry into the "New Order."

JAPAN AND SOVIET

FROM REUTER'S CORRESPONDENT.

TOKYO, Tuesday.

M. Constantin Smetanin, Soviet Ambassador to Japan, called on Admiral Toyoda, Japanese Foreign Minister, this evening. They had a conversation lasting an hour.

Japan, in a fresh Note to Ecuador, has demanded the suppression of anti-Japanese sentiment and the protection of Japanese nationals. Officials of the Japanese Foreign Office alleged to-day that Ecuador has threatened to expel several Japanese residents on suspicion of espionage. This followed groundless rumours that 3,000 Japanese had joined the Peruvian Army in the recent armed clash with Ecuador, they added.

JAPAN AND CHINA

FROM REUTER'S CORRESPONDENT.

CHUNGKING, Tuesday.

Yenan, so-called capital of the Chinese Communist district in North Shensi Province, was among the places bombed during extensive Japanese raids yesterday. The city was attacked by 34 'planes.

"The victory of the democracies will be first witnessed in the Far East," said Mr. Quo Tai-chi, the Chinese Foreign Minister, speaking here to-day. Commenting on the Japanese occupation of Southern Indo-China, he said that the Japanese move aims first at a complete military occupation of the whole of Indo-China, secondly at threatening Thailand, Burma and Yunnan, and, thirdly, at the establishment of bases for future operations against Singapore, the Dutch East Indies and the Philippines. "If the democracies increase their economic pressure, Japan will shortly be on the road to economic bankruptcy," the Minister concluded.

Chinese forces on the Indo-China border are ready for any eventuality, according to General Lung Yun, Governor of Yunnan Province.

REAL DANGERS

FROM REUTER'S CORRESPONDENT.

TOKYO, Tuesday.

A call to the Japanese Government to "carry out sweeping changes in its own system and show the people in the frankest terms the real dangers now confronting Japan" is made by the *Hochi Shimbun* to-day. "The manner in which the Government and the people are now pursuing their course is wholly inadequate to meet our great task in East Asia" it states. It warns that the task of creating prosperity in East Asia may take hundreds of years.

THE TWO RHODESIAS

A PRIME MINISTER ON AMALGAMATION

"TIMES" TELEGRAM.

SALISBURY (S.R.), Tuesday.

Sir Godfrey Huggins, Prime Minister of Southern Rhodesia, addressing the United Party Congress to-day, said that he had agreed to the request of the Secretary of State for the Colonies, that the matter of the amalgamation of the two Rhodesias should be deferred for a time, but they had agreed that it should not be postponed for the duration of the war.

They were not prepared to be put off, he added, regarding the question of amalgamation, because the question might be a difficult one in the House of Commons, and might even cost votes outside. They had no say in the selection of the Commons and were, therefore, not interested in their reactions to Rhodesian affairs.

Moreover, they saw no reason why the more enlightened people who migrated and built up the Commonwealth should be dictated to by the insularity of those who had stayed at home.—(Copyright, per P.A.)

BRITISH HELP FOR RUSSIA

WAR MATERIALS ON THEIR WAY

Mr. H. Dalton, British Minister of Economic Warfare, yesterday assured the House of Commons that everything will be done to supply Russia with war materials, while valuable supplies may be made available to Britain by the Soviet Government. He stated that considerable quantities of goods are already on their way to Russia through various parts of the Empire and through other countries supporting Britain's cause.

An extensive gorse fire broke out on the Hill of Howth last night. The flames were got under control by Civic Guards early this morning.

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BIRTHS.

AYLMER KELLY—July 22, 1941, at 19 Barrington street, Limerick, to Louise, wife of Edmund Aylmer Kelly, Kilkishen Rectory, Six Mile Bridge, Co. Clare, twin sons (John Barry and Edmund Phillips).

CHATTERTON—On Saturday, August 2, 1941, in Scotland, the wife of A. Eyre Chatterton, a son.

CHERRY—July 25, 1941, at the Coombe Hospital, to Doreen Helen, wife of Jack Cherry, a son.

FENNELL—August 2, 1941, at Ellesmere, Shropshire, the wife of Lieutenant-Colonel W. J. Fennell, R.A., of a son.

GILL—July 25, 1941, at 29 Upper Mount street, Dublin, to Madge (*nee* McMallan), wife of Noel Gill, Ardmeen Cottage, Blackrock, Co. Dublin, a son.

MURDOCH—July 29, 1941, at the Harcourt Nursing Home, to Iva, wife of J. H. Murdoch, Moyola, St. Thomas's road, Mount Merrion, a daughter.

MARRIAGE.

PEEKS and SAUNDERSON—July 19, 1941, at St. Peter-ad-Vincula, London; Geoffrey William Arthur Peeks, son of William Peeks, I.S.O., and Mrs. Peeks, Dulwich, to Elizabeth Alice, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. C. W. Saunderson, London.

DEATHS.

AYLMER KELLY—July 25, 1941, John Barry, infant son of Louise and Edmund Aylmer Kelly, Kilkishen Rectory, Six Mile Bridge, Co. Clare. Service at Kilkishen Parish Church, 28 July, 1941.
"Who plucked that flower?"
"I," said the Master—
And the gardener was silent.

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"Who plucked that flower?"
"I," said the Master—
And the gardener was silent.

EASON—August 5, 1941, at Harvieston, Dalkey, Charles, second son of the late Charles Eason, of 30 Kenilworth square, Rathgar, in his 89th year. Service at Adelaide Road Presbyterian Church, Dublin, at 10.30 a.m., to-morrow (Thursday), 7th August. Funeral arriving Dean's Grange 11.45 a.m. No flowers.

HINDE—August 5, 1941, at Westgate, Delgany, Co. Wicklow, Florence Maud, eldest daughter of the late Richard Hinde, Glin, Co. Limerick. "With Christ, which is far better." Funeral arrangements later.

LEE—August 2, 1941, at The Home, Military Hill, Cork, Mary (Minnie), widow of Robert Lee, of Youghal. Funeral private. "At Rest."

LE FANU—August 5, 1941, at Abington, Bray, Florence Mabel, wife of T. P. Le Fanu. Funeral Service to-morrow (Thursday) morning at Christ Church at 11.30 o'clock, thence to Enniskerry.

LOCKE—August 5, 1941, at his residence, Daisyhill Villa, Newry, William Balmond, dearly-beloved husband of Florrie Locke. Funeral to-morrow (Thursday), 7th inst., at 2.30 p.m., St. Patrick's Churchyard, Newry. House private.

MINTON—August 4, 1941, Emilie J., darling wife of John Minton (Solicitor), "Orlando," 72 Park avenue, Sydney Parade. Remains will be removed to the Star of the Sea Church, Sandymount, to-day (Wednesday) at 5.30 p.m. Funeral (strictly private) to Dean's Grange, after 10 o'clock Mass, to-morrow (Thursday).

O'CALLAGHAN—August 4, 1941, at a private nursing home, John T. (Seán) O'Callaghan, 21 Waltham terrace, Blackrock. Deeply regretted by his sorrowing wife and family. R.I.P. Funeral (private), after 10 o'clock Mass, to-morrow (Thursday) from St. John the Baptist Church, Blackrock.

PHELAN—August 5, 1941, at his residence, Ardeen Soluis, John's Hill, Waterford, Arthur James Phelan, B.L., eldest son of the late Mr. and Mrs. J. J. Phelan. Remains were removed last evening to St. John's Church. Requiem Mass will be offered to-day (Wednesday) at 10 a.m. Funeral will leave at 1 p.m. (S.T.) for interment at St. Mary's, Ballygunner. No flowers, by request. R.I.P.

SEYMOUR—August 4, 1941, at hospital, Robert, beloved husband of Margaret Seymour. "At Rest." Deeply regretted by his sorrowing wife and family. Funeral from his late residence, 19 St. Mary's street, Belfast, to-day (Wednesday) at 2.30 p.m. to Dundonald Cemetery.

VIGORS—July 25, 1941, at 89 Ellison road, Streatham Common, S.W.16, Harriet, eldest surviving daughter of the late Bartholomew Vigors, of Knockionegad House, Corries, Bagenalstown.

WHATLEY—August 5, 1941 (suddenly), at Clodagh, Seapoint road, Bray, Annie Whatley, sister of Mrs. W. H. Briscoe. Deeply regretted. Funeral strictly private. No flowers.

ANNOUNCEMENTS received late for this Column will be found on Page 4.

ACKNOWLEDGMENT.

Miss A. M. Byrne, 5 Rus-in-Urbe, Glenageary, wishes to return thanks to her many kind friends for letters and cards of sympathy in her recent great loss, and hopes this will be received by all in grateful acknowledgment.

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PSYCHOLOGY AND CABBAGES

DUBLIN'S PLOTS ARE BLOOMING

By Our Special Correspondent.

"Well, the little so-and-so's," muttered the irate man, looking at the plot. I moved closer. "The little so-and-so's," he muttered again. "They got my bottle." I butted in: "Aren't they shocking; you can't have a thing with them around"—not knowing what in the world "they" were, but just trying.

"Look at that bottle," he said, pointing to the centre of his cabbage-patch, where the remains of a pink bottle balanced on top of a stick. "They came in and made a cock-shot of it, after I spending days looking for one that would do for a scarecrow. If I catch one of the little so-and-so's I'll break his neck, I'll . . ." He tailed off into tortures too gruesome for contemplation. Wheeling his bicycle around, he disappeared through the gate of the allotment field. He had my sympathy, but it seemed a weird thing to put large bottles on top of sticks as scarecrows. Perhaps, the local birds were teetotal. Anyhow, it was tempting Providence in a boy-ridden neighbourhood like Crumlin and he had paid the penalty, or the bottle did.

It was a neat, well-worked plot, and the only untidy thing about it was the pink shards which lay around the base of the stick. The ground was closely covered with potatoes, cabbages and all kinds of vegetables. An empty space here and there showed where he had already begun to dig potatoes and cut cabbage and lettuce. It was typical of that large allotment field, which was very similar to all those around the city outskirts. They show the fruits of much backache and many blistered hands, and, though these early incidental tortures frightened away the faint-hearted, the vast majority of the plot-holders now can proudly display bags of potatoes, armfuls of cabbages and thick heads of lettuce, as they take home each evening the necessaries for to-morrow's dinner.

JUSTLY PROUD

The land is in the Irishman's blood, and not even several generations of city living, buying vegetables and fruit from the local shop, have succeeded in blotting it out—it only needed the allotment movement to bring it to its proper place. On a round of plots near Dublin the other day I talked to men who had never handled a spade until this year, but who could show me vegetables they had grown themselves, and of which they were justly proud. On all the plots the yield is good. Potatoes are mainly a good crop, of nice size and quality, and plotholders with small families will probably have enough to do them for most of the year. The majority of them, however, are blessed with a numerous offspring, and it is unlikely that the fruit of one-eighth of an acre will supply all needs. However, the saving will be tremendous, apart altogether from the very big psychological effect which the ownership of the plots is having.

This is a large factor in the significance of the movement, especially among men who had become chronic unemployed. They have found something to do with their hands, something to keep them out of the dispiriting streets, where their condition of dependence was hourly forced on their minds, and gratefully they have responded to the chance. With more time to spend on the ground than a working man, they have in many cases produced the better plots, though the lack of practical knowledge has kept some of them back. The knowledge came quickly to them, however, thanks largely to the help of plotholders whose country rearing has given them an intimate experience of the subject—civil servants and Civic Guards in the main.

These men have done an immense amount of good among their less knowledgable brethren with little "tips" at the right time, and there is largely a fine spirit of co-operation among the holders of plots in all districts.

BLACK SHEEP

There are the black sheep, of course, but these are few. A certain amount of "lifting" or stealing of crops has gone on, and in at least one area the parish council has taken subscriptions from holders to pay two men to keep guard over the plots. This is something of an exception, and as far as I could gather there seems to have been little pilfering on the allotments as a whole. I suppose the temptation is strong on an unsuccessful grower of, say, onions, going home from the plot after working on a struggling row of thin green shoots, when he comes across a patch of huge, fat, juicy looking bulbs. Nevertheless, the feeling against plot-robbers is very strong, and woe betide the one who is caught at it.

Intense cultivation and the spread of knowledge of the subject have meant that little or nothing has succumbed to disease. Carrot fly here and there has laid waste a bed of ripening roots, but the cases of this are few. Slugs and caterpillars are doing some damage, but it seems to be little compared with the size of the crop. The growth is everywhere excellent, and the total harvest must be huge. The work of the parish councils and the Allotment Holders' Association cannot be overestimated, but it would have meant little without the enthusiasm with which the plots have been taken up and worked.

ON VIEW

Sunday before dinner is the time when the plots are on view, when father takes the wife and youngsters along to show them that his evenings have definitely not been spent in the "local," and that all his talk about the relative merits and powers of Epicures, Arran Pilots, British Queens, Early Dwarf York, Giant Roccs, All the Year Round, and so on, to the neighbours has been based on practical and hard experience. The wife marvels that her man, who (she says) hardly knew the difference between a spade and a fork a few months ago, has been able to make these things come out of the earth from the little packets of seeds she saw lying around the dresser, while "himself" tries to persuade Johnny and Maggie that the cabbage and lettuce are better cooked than torn piecemeal off the growing head and crammed into the mouth.

DOLDRUMS DISAPPEAR

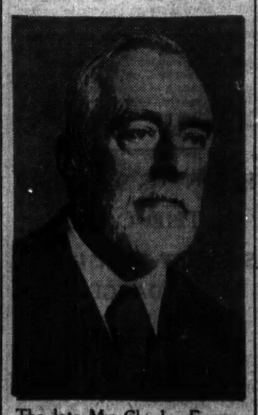
During the doldrums around noon on each Sunday the plotholders ramble around, criticise each other's work and dilate on the merits of the various methods of growing. Little hints are exchanged and secrets of success creep out as the feeling of brotherhood grows. The poor man loses his shyness of the better-off and maybe has a chance to show that at one thing, anyhow, he is the better man—where his cabbage is bigger or his pea pods more closely packed.

To do a round of the plots near Dublin is an exhausting business, there are so many and such huge fields of them. I cycled to most of them that day; found any number of people ready to tell me how much they loved gardening and how good it was as a pastime; returned home, saddle-galled, but satisfied that the allotment movement in Dublin was all of the significant thing that its organisers claim it to be.

OBITUARY

MR. CHARLES EASON

We regret to announce the death of Mr. Charles Eason, which took place at his home, Harvieston, Cunningham road, Dalkey, yesterday. Head of the well-known firm of Messrs. Eason and Son, Ltd., he came to Dublin in 1856 with his father, who was appointed Irish manager of Messrs. W. H. Smith and Son. He had a very brilliant career in Trinity College, where he graduated with honours. He was an excellent classical scholar, obtained a scholarship in science, graduated as Senior Moderator, with large gold medal, in ethics and logic, and took his M.A. degree. He was a barrister of the Middle Temple, London, but did not



The late Mr. Charles Eason.

practise at the Bar. He was the first to receive the honorary degree of M.Comm. when it was instituted in 1930. This degree was conferred on him by the Senate of Dublin University at a meeting held in the theatre of Trinity College on 4th July, 1930. He always served the College with loyalty and affection, and none will be found to disagree with the concluding words of the Public Orator on that occasion: *Habetis virum qui omnium consensu et in cultum nostrum honoris causa adscitus.* He maintained interest in Dublin University affairs, and in February, 1935, he presided at the third of the Donnellan lectures given by Professor Harold J. Laski.

Going into the newspaper and bookselling business with his father in 1875, he became a member of the firm of Messrs. W. H. Smith and Son. In 1886 he and his father took over the business here from Messrs. W. H. Smith and Son and played an important part in the building up of the trade, which extends to all parts of Ireland. He succeeded his father at head of the firm in 1899. He was possessed of great business and organising ability and was a man of the highest sense of honour and integrity. He was much esteemed by the staff, for whom he always had the utmost consideration. Despite the many demands made upon him in his share of the work of the firm, he found time to take part in the promotion of the objects of the Philanthropic Reform Association and in the pursuits of the Statistical Society. For over fifty years he was a member of the Kingstown Presbyterian Church, of which he was secretary for many years. For over fifty years also he was an active member of the Presbyterian Association, of which he was trustee and honorary secretary. He was associated, too, with the Dublin United Missionary Council.

Mr. Eason was chairman of the Dublin Savings Bank from 1919 to 1938 and had been connected with that institution for fifty years. He was a Justice of the Peace, a member of the Court of Referees under the Unemployment Acts, and chairman in Ireland of the Booksellers' Association of Great Britain and Ireland. He contributed to economic and social science journals a long series of valuable articles representing work and research of high merit. His publications included Eason's Almanac, 1874-1887, pamphlets for the Statistical Society, pamphlets on the circulation of the Douay Bible in Ireland and on the production and distribution of the Genevan Bible.

At the age of seventy he retired from the managing-directorship of the firm, but continued to take an active interest in the work, and in February, 1936, he presided at a gathering of eight hundred people in the Metropole Restaurant, Dublin, to celebrate the fiftieth anniversary of the founding of the company.

His wife died in September, 1929. He is survived by his daughter, Miss Edith A. Eason, and his three sons, John Charles, Malcolm Eason, Edward Keith Eason and Alec B. Eason; and by his brothers, Frederick T. Eason, the Rev. B. M. Eason, and his sister, Mrs. Brunton.

MR. W. B. LOCKE

The death took place unexpectedly at his residence, Daisyhill Villa, Newry, yesterday, of Mr. William Balmond Locke, nursery proprietor. A native of Colchester, Mr. Locke served in France in the last war. An accomplished musician, he trained local bands for championship contests. He is survived by his wife, two sons and one daughter.

MR. ARTHUR J. PHELAN

Mr. Arthur J. Phelan, whose death has occurred at Ardeen Soluis, John's Hill, Waterford, at the age of 59 years, was educated at St. Charles College, London, founded by the late Cardinal Manning. After being called to the Bar, he practised for some time in London. He returned to Ireland on the death of his brother, Alan Phelan, and became partner in the firm of Messrs. J. and S. Phelan, leading Southern corn merchants. He played an important part in the public life of Waterford, and devoted practically all his spare time to the work of charitable organisations in the city and district. He was director, and former president, of the Waterford Chamber of Commerce, and was at the time of his death vice-president of the Associated Chambers of Commerce of Ireland. His other public appointments included mastership of the Waterford City and County Infirmary and member of Waterford Harbour Board; secretary of the Waterford branch of the N.S.P.C.C., and Waterford District Nursing Association; he was also life-long member and former president of the Waterford Boat Club and war trustee of the Waterford Savings Bank.

CHIEF SUPT. E. DUFFY

The death occurred at Waterford County and City Infirmary last night of Chief Superintendent E. Duffy, a native of Westport, Co. Mayo. Chief Superintendent Duffy played a prominent part in the Anglo-Irish struggle, and joined the Gardai at the inception of the force. He served in Westport, Clare, Kerry, Wexford and Waterford, and was identified with all forms of Gaelic sport. He was president of Waterford Boxing Club and N.A.C.A. He leaves a widow and two children.

The Dublin Postal Band will give a programme of music at Harold's Cross Park from 7.30 this evening.

Major Percy Davies was yesterday appointed chairman and editor of the *News of the World* in succession to the late Sir Emsley Carr. Major Davies, who is 49, has been associated with Sir Emsley Carr for twenty years, and for eight years has been deputy-editor.

After the wedding, at St. Bartholomew's Church, of Mr. Brian Blennerhassett, of Bertanglee, Castle Park, Rathfarnham, and Miss Barbara Dodd, second daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Ralph H. Dodd, Dundrum.

WEDDINGS

MR. MICHAEL CLOWRY AND MISS LILY COX

The wedding took place yesterday at St. Kevin's Church Harrington street, of Mr. Michael Clowry, son of Mr. and Mrs. John Clowry, of Rialto, and Miss Lily Cox, daughter of the late Mr. and Mrs. John Cox, 2 Leinster street, Dublin.

The ceremony with Nuptial Mass and Papal Blessing, was performed by the Very Rev. James Canon Sherwin, assisted by Father Burke. Mr. Denis Cox, the bride's uncle, sang "Ave Maria" the setting of which was written by Frank Sherwin, former associate member of the Royal Irish Academy. Mr. Cox also sang "Redempti Mundo Deus," by Mozart, and "Just for To-day."

The bride wore a white dress and a veil of Irish lace, and carried a bouquet of white roses.

Miss Maureen Clowry and Miss Maureen Cox were bridesmaids.

Mr. John Cox was best man.

After a reception held at the Hotel MacDermott, Harcourt street, Mr. and Mrs. Michael Clowry left for Tramore.

REV. FERGUS DAY AND MISS J. F. PENNEY

At Sandford Parish Church, the Rev. Fergus Day, B.A., elder son of Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Day, Belmont Gardens, Donnybrook, was married yesterday to Miss Joyce Florence Penney, younger daughter of Mr. and Mrs. T. L. Penney, Rathford road, Dublin.

The Rev. Nesbitt Harvey, B.D., officiated. The bride, who was given away by her brother, Mr. Victor Penney, wore a dusty pink two-piece costume and carried a bouquet of pink gladioli.

Miss Phyllis Spurgeon, who was bridesmaid, wore a maroon ensemble.

The Rev. R. Jennings, B.A., was best man.

The honeymoon is being spent in the South of Ireland.

MR. B. BLENNERHASSETT AND MISS B. DODD

Mr. Brian Blennerhassett, elder son of Mr. Giles N. Blennerhassett, of Bertanglee, Castle Park, Rathfarnham, was married yesterday at St. Bartholomew's Church, Clyde road, Dublin, to Miss Barbara Dodd, second daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Ralph H. Dodd, 12 Woodlawn Park, Dundrum.

The Rev. G. O. Simms, M.A., who officiated, was assisted by the Rev. Canon W. C. Simpson and the Rev. R. Coote. Mr. E. S. Fry presided at the organ.

The bride, who was given away by her father, wore a tailored dress of delphinium blue, light woollen material and a turban of white net. She carried a bouquet of white pink sweet pea, and was attended by her sister, Miss Sylvia Dodd, who wore a blue and red floral silk dress, and a wreath of rosebuds and forget-me-nots in her hair, and carried a posy of pink and blue flowers.

Mr. J. Wilson was best man.

A reception was held after the ceremony in the Shelbourne Hotel, and later Mr. and Mrs. Brian Blennerhassett left for their honeymoon, the latter wearing a fuschia-coloured suit and straw hat.

Dresses by the Misses Bobbett, of Anne street.

HOLIDAYS

Government restrictions prevent us from having extra copies of the "Irish Times" available at holiday resorts.

On application to this office, we will supply the names and addresses of newsagents in the district to which readers contemplate going, and from whom they can arrange to obtain their copy of the "Irish Times."

THE MANAGER.

CATCH CROPS NEEDED

The seriousness of the position regarding supplies of winter and spring feeding for live-stock is once again brought to the notice of farmers in a statement issued by the Department of Agriculture yesterday.

Imported feeding-stuffs are unobtainable, and the yield of the hay crop this year will probably be below average. The supply of fodder available from all sources is, therefore, likely to be inadequate, and to make up for this deficiency the Minister urges farmers to place the maximum area under catch crops such as vetch, rape and rye.

As supplies of seeds of these crops are negligible, farmers are asked to save or arrange to save seed, and if they have a surplus over their own requirements they should make it available to other farmers, either directly or through a seedsman. Adequate supplies of Italian rye grass seed will, however, be available, and should be sown to the greatest possible extent by farmers throughout the country this season.

Information on the subject of catch crops can be obtained from the local Agricultural Instructor or from the Department's leaflet No. 80.

The first Italian prisoners of war to reach Great Britain, numbering about 2,000, are being allocated to various parts of the country, where they will soon start on ditching and drainage work. They have been specially chosen for their suitability for land work.

After the wedding, at Sandford Parish Church, of the Rev. Fergus Day, B.A., elder son of Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Day, Donnybrook, and Miss Joyce Florence Penney, younger daughter of Mr. and Mrs. T. L. Penney, of Clonskea.

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Ended Expected to Win £300 Selling Plate at Phœnix Park

EVENING racing at the Phœnix Park has become very popular, and the meeting, which starts at 6.30 to-night, should be well patronised. The course is so conveniently situated that the lack of transport facilities does not matter so much as at most other venues.

Tote Double on Third and Fifth Races.

The Park Plate, the prize money for which is the biggest given for a selling two-year-old race in Ireland, will attract a field of thirteen. Mr. F. S. Myerscough likely will continue his series of wins by taking this £300 stake with Ended, the danger to whom may be Experto Crede.

Sunny Star has incurred a 7lb. penalty in the Maynooth Plate for her Leopardstown success, and may not beat Bannerman. The smart sprinter Westport must hold a big chance in the Merrion Plate. Selections:—

Milltown Plate—**Coup de Maitre.**
Mulhuddart Plate—**Bright Child.**
Park Plate—**Ended.**
Malahide Plate—**Submarine.**
Maynooth Plate—**Bannerman.**
Merrion Plate—**Westport.**

Tote Double:
Ended and Bannerman.

CURRAGH SELECTIONS

Milltown Plate—**Coup de Maitre.**
Mulhuddert Plate—**Bright Child.**
Park Plate—**Water Song.**
Malahide Plate—**Suzie.**
Maynooth Plate—**Steadfie.**
Merrion Plate—**Cuirm Gall.**

6.30—MILLTOWN MAIDEN T.Y.O. PLATE. £100. 5f. st. lb.

WARTHRIFT (Mr. B. Kerr) ..... J. E. Davis 8 12
HONOURED (Mr. F. S. Myerscough) ..... Owner 8 12
FATHER TRACEY (Mr. H. O. Wellesley) ..... Owner 8 12
THUNDER (Mr. W. J. Parkinson) ..... J. J. Parkinson 8 12
WATER SONG (Mr. P. J. Beary) ..... Owner 8 8
CONTENT D (Mr. W. J. Byrne) ..... Owner 8 8
MARIE-ANNE (Mr. R. C. Dawson) ..... Usher 8 8
COUP DE MAITRE (Miss A. Flahavan) ..... Beary 8 8
WYLIE'S DREAM (Lt.-Col. F. F. MacCabe) ..... Usher 8 8
FAIR TERMS (Mr. J. McLean) ..... H. Hartigan 8 8

Above are declared runners.

0 Warthrift. See Water Song.
00 Honoured. Unplaced with 8-10 to Rounders (9-6), Curragh July (5f.).
02 Father Tracey. Carried 8-11 when beaten 2l. by Fiint Benefit (8-11), Leopardstown June (5f.).
0 Thunder. Unplaced with 8-10 to Honourable (8-10), Leopardstown July (5f.).
22 Water Song. Carried 8-10 when beaten 1½l. by Butler-Enavant (8-10), Phœnix Park July 9 (5f.). Warthrift (9-0), Marie-Anne (8-10) and Wylie's Dream (8-8) were unplaced. See Coup de Maitre.
00 Contented. See Wylie's Dream.
00 Marie-Anne. See Water Song.
32 Coup de Maitre. Carried 8-10 when beaten 2½l. by Sammy's Rock (8-10), Curragh July (6f.). Carried 8-8 when beaten 4l., 2l. by Lull (8-12) and Water Song (8-8), Curragh June 26 (5f.).
00 Cotsel. Unplaced with 8-10 to King King (9-6), Leopardstown Monday (5f.).
04 Wylie's Dream. Carried 8-3 when fourth of 8 to Maritime Law (8-9), Phœnix Park July 19 (5f.). Contented (8-10) was behind. See Water Song.

7.0—MULHUDDART HANDICAP HURDLE RACE. £100. 2m.

BRIGHT CHILD (Miss Dorothy Paget) ..... C. Rogers a 11 9
TRANCE (Mr. E. O'Beirne) ..... Lenehan 6 11 8
WESTLANDS (Mr. J. P. McAuley) ..... Banahan 4 10 5
YA YA (Capt. Y. French Davis) ..... Owner a 9 7

Above are declared runners.

44 Bright Child. Carried 11-7 when fourth of 6 to Eskimo (11-3), Leopardstown July (2m. 175yds. 'chase). Carried 11-7 when fourth of 6 to Durbar (11-5), Naas June (2m. 2f. 'chase). Carried 12-3 when beaten 14l., 4l. by Bistro (10-13) and Glenkieran (10-4), Claremorris June (2m. hurdles).
10 Trance. Carried 10-4 when with Westlands (9-7), unplaced to Amor de Cuba (10-0), Galway July (2m. hurdles). Carried 11-0 when winning 3l., 5l. from Banty Boy (10-6) and Westlands (10-4) Phœnix Park July 19 (2m. hurdles). Ya Ya (9-9) was fifth of 9.
30 Westlands. See Trance.
00 Ya Ya. See Trance.

7.25—PARK PLATE. £500. 2-Y.O. 5f. st. lb.

ENDED (Mr. F. S. Myerscough) ..... Wellesley 9 3
VESINGTON KING (Mr. Jos. Maher) ..... Slocock 8 10
BLUE SKIES (Mr. R. G. Duggan) ..... O'Farrell 8 10
THUNDER (Mr. W. J. Parkinson) ..... Parkinson 8 10
TIGER (Mr. W. J. Parkinson) ..... Parkinson 8 10
EXPERTO CREDO (Mr. W. M. Shawe Taylor) ..... Usher 8 10
EASTER ISLAND (Mr. W. M. Shawe Taylor) ..... Usher 8 10
RED THORN (Lord Glenavar) ..... Wellesley 8 10
WATER SONG (Mr. P. J. Beary) ..... Owner 8 6
CONCERT PITCH (Mr. E. C. Dawson) ..... Usher 8 6
PALOMA (Mr. P. J. Lenehan) Owner 8 6
CARELESS KATE (Mr. J. McLean) ..... H. Hartigan 8 6

Above are declared runners.

32 Ended. Carried 9-6 when beaten 1l. by Rounders (9-6), Curragh July (5f.). Carried 9-5 when beaten 2l. head, by Rounders (9-8) and Windsor Mystery (8-12), Leopardstown June (5f.).
0 Vesington King. See Water Song.
04 Blue Skies. Carried 8-5 when fourth of 12 to King King (8-3), Curragh July (5f.).
0 Thunder. See Easter Island.
04 Tiger. Carried 9-0 when fourth of 8 to China Tealeaf (3-10), Leopardstown Sat. (5f.). Concert Pitch (8-10) was behind.
23 Experto Credo. Carried 8-10 when beaten short head, 1½l., by Honourable (9-12) and Nocturne (8-6) Leopardstown Monday (5f.).
04 Easter Island. Carried 8-10 when fourth of 10 to Honourable (8-10) Leopardstown July (5f.). Thunder (8-10), Paloma (8-6) and Simla (8-6) were behind.
20 Red Thorn. Carried 8-10 when 8th of 22 to Ballinter (9-6), Phœnix Park June (5f.). Carried 8-9 when beaten 4l. by Wincara (8-5), Curragh May (5f.).
22 Water Song. Carried 8-10 when beaten 1½l. by Butler-Enavant (8-10), Phœnix Park July 9 (5f.). Carried 8-8 when beaten 4l. by Lull (8-12), Curragh June 26 (5f.). Vesington King (8-5) was unplaced.
00 Concert Pitch. See Easter Island.
40 Paloma. See Easter Island.
00 Careless Kate. Unplaced with 8-3 to the dead-heaters, Zalophus (9-0) and Syria (9-0), Baldoyle July (5f.).
0 Simla. See Easter Island.

7.50—HALAHIDE PLATE. £100. 1m. 2f. 50y. Age st. lb.

KNIGHTS WARD (Mr. E. Malone) ..... Banahan 4 11 9
FETTLESOME (Mrs. J. A. Mangan) ..... Mangan 6 11 3
SONG THRUSH (Mr. D. Malone) ..... Owner 3 10 7
SUBMARINE (Mr. J. J. Parkinson) ..... Owner 3 10 7
SUZIE (Capt. D. Rogers) Owner 3 10 7

Above are declared runners.

11 Knight's Ward. Carried 9-7 when winning head 1½l. from Legislator (8-9) and Word of Honour (9-7) Dundalk June (1m. 1f. 80yds.). Carried 10-0 when winning 1l. 1l. from Dexter (10-7) and Released (10-7) Baldoyle June (1m. hurdles).
00 Song Thrush. Unplaced with 10-3 to Alger (10-12) Phœnix Park July 9 (1m. 2f. 50yds.).
02 Submarine. Carried 8-7 when beaten 3l. by Airway (9-0) Leopardstown Saturday (1m.).
32 Suzie. Carried 8-2 when beaten 1½l. by Marsden (8-8) Curragh July (1m.). Carried 7-7 when beaten neck, 2l. by Rosella (8-0) and Bray Lady (7-11) Leopardstown July (1m.).

8.15—MAYNOOTH H'CAP PLATE. £100. 1m. Age st. lb.

RAO RAJA (H.H. Maharajah of Kashmir) ..... Mann 7 12 5
BEGGAR LASS (Mr. F. J. Lenehan) ..... Owner a 9 0
SUNNY STAR (7lb. ex.) (Mrs. G. Robinson) ..... Robinson 5 9 0
STEADLIE (Mr. Jos. McGrath) ..... Collins 5 8 7
CARNMID (Mr. P. J. Beary) ..... Owner 5 8 6
BANNERMAN (Miss Dorothy Paget) ..... C. Rogers 5 8 4
KILLESHIN (Mrs. W. W. Ashe) ..... Ashe 5 8 3
SUSPENSION (Mr. D. Rice) ..... F. Ward a 8 0
ABRUPT (Mr. W. Barnett) ..... D. Rogers 5 7 12
HAZEL FAIR (Mr. J. A. Farrell) ..... Owner 3 7 11
INE AN MALA (Mr. C. G. McKenna) ..... Owner 3 7 8

Above are declared runners.

00 Rao Raja. Unplaced with 8-12 to Sol Oriens (8-12) Curragh June 28 (1m.).
0 Beggar Lass. Unplaced with 9-9 to Benedict (10-1) Curragh June 12 (7f.).
24 Sunny Star. Carried 7-12 when winning neck, 1l. from Cameron (10-0) and Inscription (8-13) Leopardstown Monday (1½m.).
3 Steadlie. Carried 8-7 when beaten 1l., same, by Algar (8-7) and Mobilisation (9-6) Galway July (1m. 110yds.).
40 Carnmid. Carried 7-11 when fifth of 9 to Four Flusher (8-8) Curragh June 21 (6f. 63yds.). Carried 8-3 when fourth of 10 to Dunsmerick (8-0) Curragh May (1m.).
40 Bannerman. Unplaced with 8-12 to Bray Lady (7-12) Tuam August (7f.). Carried 9-4 when fourth of 12 to Fishguard (9-8) Killarney July (1m. 3f.).
00 Killeshin. Unplaced with 8-9 to Fumble (7-1) Leopardstown July (7f.). Carried 8-3 when beaten 1½l. by Ballerigan (7-8) Curragh June 12 (6f.).
00 Suspension. Unplaced with 11-1 to Ardenode (10-8) Dundalk May (1m. 1f. 80yds.).
02 Abrupt. Carried 7-9 when beaten ½l. by Dandy Boy (7-11) Baldoyle July 26 (1m. 1f. 80yds.).
01 Hazel Fair. Carried 8-7 when winning ¾l., head, from Video (9-4) and Barrado (8-8) Bellewstown July (1m.).
00 Ine an Mala. Unplaced with 7-11 to Rosella (8-0) Leopardstown July (1m.).

8.40—MERRION HANDICAP PLATE. £100. 1f. Age st. lb.

WESTPORT (Mr. E. Arnell) ..... Owner a 9 4
PRADA (Mr. J. McLean) ..... H. Hartigan 6 9 1
CUIRM GAIL (Mrs. E. M. Grath) ..... Collins 3 8 7
MASTERSHIP (7lb. ex.) (Miss D. Paget) ..... C. Rogers 3 8 7
WAINSFORD (Mr. Jas. F. Byrne) ..... Dawson a 8 4
ROTHBEAT (Mr. P. J. Beary) ..... Owner 3 8 3
EN ROUTE (Mr. J. V. Rank) ..... Fetherston 4 7 13
KELLASHI (Mr. J. J. Parkinson) ..... Owner 3 7 8
YAHNE DARGENT (Mrs. M. Macnamara) ..... McKenna 3 7 7

Above are declared runners.

04 Westport. See En Route and Wainsford. Carried 9-7 when beaten head by Red Strife (7-7), with En Route (8-7) fourth of 16, and Prada (9-8) behind, Phœnix Park June (6f.).
00 Prada. See Wainsford and Westport.
42 Cuirm Gail. Carried 9-2 when beaten 6l., 4l. by Uritz (9-0) and Music and Song (9-0) Curragh July (1m.).
01 Mastership. Carried 7-7 when winning head, same from Double Quick (8-4) and Red Strife (7-13) Baldoyle July 26 (5f.). Yahna Dargent (7-0) was fifth, and Wainsford (7-11) sixth of 8.
10 Wainsford. See Mastership. Carried 7-1 when winning 2½l., 1l. from Red Strife (7-11) and the dead-heaters, Bonamis (8-8) and Summerville (7-6) Phœnix Park July 9 (5f.). Westport (9-8) was fifth and En Route (8-2) sixth of 17. Carried 8-1 when beaten neck by Denturius (9-12), with Rothesay (9-0) 1l. behind. Yahna Dargent (7-13) sixth of 11, and Prada (9-5) behind, Baldoyle July 5 (5f.).
00 Rothesay. See En Route and Wainsford.
02 En Route. Carried 7-6 when beaten short head, same, by Golden Rain (7-10) and Woodside (7-13) Phœnix Park July 19 (5f.). Westport (9-6) was fourth of 11. Yahna Dargent (7-8) fifth, and Rothesay (7-11) behind.
32 Kellashi. Carried 7-6 when beaten 4l. by Slightly Slow (7-1), Curragh June 28 (6f.).
00 Yahna Dargent. See En Route, Mastership, and Wainsford.

Wellington S.C. team, which won the Men's Senior Squadron Championship at Blackrock Baths. From left: J. Lowry, J. Boden, W. H. K. Bell and E. McCartney.

Cricket
Big Stand by Quinn and O'Connell

Mr. W. P. Hone, the former Gentleman of Ireland cricketer, put a strong XI. in the field against Phœnix yesterday in the Park. The result was a draw in favour of the home side, who, when rain stopped play, were only 18 runs short of victory, with four wickets to fall. G. E. Guise-Brown and Sir John Maffey both batted well for Hone's side, and O. V. O'Connell and K. Quinn made a big fourth wicket stand for Phœnix, adding 80 runs. Score:—

MR. W. P. HONE'S XI.

F. G. Connell b. K. Quinn	14
C. J. Little b. K. Quinn	0
W. A. Redfier st. Harrison b. Pigot	15
G. E. Guise-Brown b. Pigot	30
C. B. Cuffe b. N. Fox	10
W. P. Hone st. Harrison b. N. Fox	0
Sir John Maffey b. Brooks	21
J. Kimer c. and b. Kennedy	0
S. E. Smith b. Brooks	8
J. M. Hone b. Brooks	4
W. McWinton not out	34
Extras	19
Total	164

PHŒNIX

D. R. Pigot l.b.w. b. Little	6
T. Kennedy b. Little	0
K. Quinn c. Guise-Brown b. McWinton	53
N. R. Fox c. W. P. Hone b. Little	18
O. V. O'Connell c. Law b. McWinton	38
R. Tyrrell run out	8
E. V. Fox not out	3
T. A. Doyle not out	5
Extras	3
Total (6 wkts.)	147

Did not bat—A. De Paney, K. Harrison, A. Brooks.

Gaelic Games
The All-Ireland Semi-Finals

(By PAT'S.)

SO smooth was Cavan's victory over Tyrone in the Ulster final that their championship prospects brighten; the Breffni entrance adds attraction to the penultimate games, fixed as follows for Croke Park: Kerry v. Dublin, August 10th; Galway v. Cavan, August 17th.

All four counties have figured prominently in past All-Irelands. Though it is seven years since Dublin appeared in a final, they stand level with Kerry at 14 championships each. This fact gives unique interest to next Sunday's game, Kerry, as champions in 1939 and 1940, are warm favourites. They will field fourteen of last year's champion side—O'Keeffe (goal); Mister, Keohane, Deady, Dilon, Casey, E. Walsh (backs); J. Walsh and S. Brosnan (midfield); O'Gorman, O'Connor, Kelly, O'Sullivan, Keanedy (forwards), with Barry of Ivergah, coming on in attack in room of Dan Spring, last year's retired captain. All except Mort Kelly, Charlie O'Sullivan, and John Walsh are youthful footballers at their best years. Kerry, who have had an easy passage in the South, always seem to time their preparation to reach their peak on the final day. More than once in the past they have been caught napping in a semi-final.

The 1934 Surprise

Most memorable of such happenings was in 1934, when Dublin had searching tests from Meath and Louth in the eastern sector. They travelled to meet Kerry at Tralee more with hope than confidence. Kerry took the game carelessly, and were out-manœuvred and outplayed on their own training pitch to the tune of 2-5 to 0-8 points to 6 points. Galway beat Dublin in a running final by 14 points to 12.

Dublin's 1941 team is not a shade behind the 1934 side, with whom Mert Kavanagh, Geraldine, now with Kerry, is the sole remaining link. The Liffey men have proved their worth, as in 1934, in close, searching games against Louth and Meath. No change is announced in the playing published here last week. The left full-back position is still open, with Sean Murphy (Civil Service) and Ignatius Leavey as candidates; otherwise the team lines out as against Kildare. Murphy, Feeney, Holby, Joy and O'Dowd are natives of Kerry but they are keen clubmen, and will be all out to capture the coveted Celtic Cross medals—the ambitions of all Gaelic footballers. Dublin's backs are all steady and experienced men, and, if I mistake not, they will hold Kerry attack to a low score.

Much depends on the success of O'Dowd and Holly at midfield. I doubt if they can hold John Walsh and Brosnan should the Dingle man strike one of his inspired moves. He is at home at present, and should have struck up a good partnership in training with his clubmates—Casey, Dilon, O'Connor and P. B. Brosnan, who may be called on to fill any possible vacancy in attack.

Probable Finalists

Dublin's forwards know all the wiles of the game. Banks, Joy, Considine and Fletcher are on the light side: Fitzgerald and O'Connor, of Sagard, make up the attack—a sturdy pair of workers. Here, too, the defenders seem to hold the balance of power. Unless hand-passing triumphs, I anticipate a fast-secrion game, though Kerry's endless resource and stamina may prove the deciding factor. I hope Dublin suffers from no inferiority complex—a fatal condition with opponents of Kerry.

Galway and Cavan strike me as very well matched. Of the two Cavan are the faster side. Galway are more robust and staunch—proved championship battlers of rugged force. We shall see many new faces this year, though veterans of the 1933-5 years in Duane, Considine and Griffin (Galway); Tom O'Reilly, Morgan and Boylan (Cavan) are still shining. With two counties so closely matched, it were mere guesswork to name the winners, though I suspect we shall watch another Kerry-Galway final.

CLOSING OF ENTRIES

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Greyhound Racing
Five Favourites Win at Harold's Cross

Four heats of the Autumn Hurdle and a Quick Result Sweepstakes made an extremely interesting card at Harold's Cross Park last night. In three of the hurdle races the favourite scored, but in each instance backers had to lay the odds, and to accept 11 to 10 about the chances of Galtee Cat, who, perhaps, was helped on to victory when the favourite, Nuala's Dasher, was interfered with coming to the first obstacle. Fiallach was never seriously challenged in Heat 6, and another convincing win was that of the Cory dog, Ballymakeera Gift, who, quickest to begin, was headed by Merry Sovereign after the first bend, but resumed his lead at the third hurdle, and came on to win easily from the last-named. Cuddie Clover, in Heat 4, did not flatter her backers until the third hurdle had been negotiated, when she showed much better pace, and beat Ulster Row by half a dozen lengths. Five favourites won.

525 YARDS (Autumn Hurdle, Heat 5)—GALTEE CAT (3), 11 to 10, 1; Nuala's Dasher (4), 5 to 4 on, 2; Bawnmore Dashed (1), 10 to 1, 3. Also—Cheery Ann. 31.31.

Heat 6—FIALLACH (4), 9 to 4 on, 1; Kilcash Lemon (1), 4 to 1, 2; Blue Phase (3), 5 to 1, 3. 31.31, 31.01.

Heat 7—BALLYMAKEERA GIFT (4), 7 to 4 on, 1; Merry Sovereign (3), 4 to 1, 2; Hasky Nipper (6), 20 to 1, 3. Also—Leader of the Glen (1), 2 to 1, 4l.; distance, 31.34.

Heat 8—CUDDLE CLOSER (1), 11 to 10 on, 1; Ulster Row (4), 3 to 1, 2; Roving Chevalier (6), 100 to 8, 3. Also—Dora Lady (3), 3 to 1, 6l.; 4l. 32.05.

525 YARDS (Quick Result Sweepstakes)—RIVER PLATE (6), 5 to 1, 1; Favourite Regent (4), 3 to 1, 2; Whitico Grass (3), 3 to 1, 3. Also—Cheers for Ballinamistress (1), 7 to 2; Old Man Daddy (5), 4 to 1; Blew Down (2), 3 to 1. 3l.; 4l. 31.23.

525 YARDS (Quick Result Sweepstakes)—CANADIAN CAPERS (5), 2 to 1, 1; Holiday Tramp (6), 3 to 1, 2; Shake Yourself (2), 5 to 2, 3. Also—Still Until (4), 6 to 1; Blue Fend (5), 6 to 1; Parks Five (1), 3 to 1. Head, 1½l. 31.14. Holiday Tramp was disqualified, and Still Until went forward to final.

525 YARDS (Quick Result Sweepstakes Final)—SHAKE YOURSELF (5), 4 to 1, 1; Canadian Capers (1), 5 to 4, 2; Still Until (3), 8 to 1, 3. Also—River Plate (4), 4 to 1; Favourite Regent (6), 4 to 1; Whitico Grass (2), 4 to 1. 1l.; 6l. 31.00.

Association Football
North Fixture List Held Up

With the North Regional League season due to begin on Saturday, August 16th, the sub-committee appointed to make the fixtures yesterday were unable to do so until they know whether Glentoran will be playing in the competition.

On Monday night the Glentoran shareholders met to consider whether they should continue. The ground was damaged recently, and arrangements were made to play the home matches at Grosvenor Park on alternate Saturdays. The shareholders' meeting received a deputation from the League, who expressed sympathy with the club, and hoped they would continue their membership. For more than three hours the shareholders discussed the matter, and at a very late hour decided to adjourn until August 13, a deputation being appointed to meet the Regional League and place before them the many difficulties which the club would have to face next season.

The deputation will report to the club shareholders next week, and the League sub-committee will meet on the following day, August 14, and make the fixtures. It is not likely, therefore, that the season will start on August 16, as intended.

The three representative matches for the coming season are: British Army v. Ireland, September 13; Army v. Army in Ulster, September 15; Army v. Irish League, September 17.

ENGLISH LEAGUE SPLIT

Fifteen clubs in the London area, forming the Special London War League, including such famous clubs as Arsenal, Chelsea and Tottenham Hotspur, were expelled last night from the Football League by the Management Committee meeting at Preston. Earlier the League had warned the clubs that they would take this action if the clubs persisted with their plans for taking part in a separate competition, but the London clubs maintained their decision.

The meeting will be resumed to-day to make fixtures for what is left of the Southern group. The question of any re-admittance at some future date" said the League Secretary, "naturally will not be dealt with until it arises."

GOLF CLUB NOTICES

Fairoak.—Saturday — Lady Holmfairick Cup, fourball, bogey. Arrange partners and opponents.

Killiney.—Ladies. Friday next—Medal, stroke. Sweep—Miss V. McCormick (18), 85; Mrs. Robinson (28), 91.

Sutton.—Fourball—R. Feely (7) and T. S. Moran (14), 10 up. Saturday—President's prize, first 18 of 36 holes, stroke. Subsequent draws. Second 18 holes on August 16.

Sherries.—Ladies' prizes—W. Woodcock (19), 68; A. P. Byrne (15), 69. Club prize—Mahaffy Cup—J. J. Byrne, 2. Kelly (13), 70. 36 holes—H. Mullally (18), 137; First 18—F. Harrington (16), 66. Second 18—J. G. McKevitt (20), 64.

Portmarnock.—Open Foursball—A. T. Walsh (12), 75; V. Ellis (20), 74 (second). Best gross—R. C. Ewing, 78. Foursball—R. C. Ewing and E. C. Powell, 5 up.

Royal Dublin.—Mixed foursball—J. F. McLaughlin and W. Cantwell, 6 up; M. Wheeler and P. A. Rogan, 4 up. To-day—Wednesday competition, stroke.

BRAY.—Open foursball—A. T. Dalton and T. S. Delaney, 7 up; E. Myercscough and R. Doyle, 4 up.

Dundalk.—Bank Holiday Competition—Dr. E. McEntegart (25), 71; Rev. D. Duffy (13), 73; J. Duffy (14), 74.

Newbridge.—Ladies. President's Prize—Miss R. McNamara (29), 71; Mrs. Drew (36), 75.

WOODBROOK.—16th AUGUST: Open Competition (Stokes): Veterans' Challenge Cup and prize value 3 guineas; second prize value 1 guinea. Open to members over 50 years of age of any Golf Club affiliated to G.U.I. Handicap limit, 36. Entry Fee, 2/6. Draws 10.30 a.m. to 3.15 p.m. —(Advt.)

CYCLING

The National Executive Meeting at Drogheda on Sunday approved the following programme for the second half of the National Championships at Kentscourtay on August 24th:—1,000 Metres Sprint Championship of Ireland; Half-mile Open Handicap; Two Miles Open Handicap; Five Miles Scratch Limit. Entries close for these events first post on Saturday, 16th inst. There will be no late entry sheet.

NAVAN ROAD RACE

The Navan Club's 46½ Miles Road Race was won by S. O'Gorman (City and Suburban), with J. Shaw (City and Suburban) second, E. Hughes (National) third, and J. J. White (City and Suburban) fourth. Fastest time was made by J. Shaw (City and Suburban), 3h. 10m. 10s.

BRADY RETAINS BOXING TITLE

Jim Brady (Dundee) retained his British Empire Bantam-Weight Championship by out-pointing Jackie Paterson, British and Empire Fly-Weight Champion, at Hampden Park, Glasgow, last night. The winner had the better of the fight from the 5th round, heavier at the weigh-in. This was Paterson's first defeat for nearly two years.

Very few points separated the men, after a magnificent fight, which was followed by 20,000 people. Brady fought at almost non-stop pace for the fifteen rounds. He showed tremendous pluck, and recovered from a body punch which sent him down for nine in the opening round, and had to fight most of the rounds with cuts over both eyes.

STOCK EXCHANGE FEATURES
SIGNS OF INCREASING OPTIMISM

FROM OUR LONDON FINANCIAL CORRESPONDENT.

WITH the re-opening of the Stock Exchange after the August Bank Holiday, there has been a further appreciation in securities consequent upon the search for yield. The demand is mainly for the leading equities, as investors are now more willing to buy sound industrials giving a return of around 5 per cent., and, as a result, higher prices were recorded yesterday for many Iron, Coal and Steel, Tobacco, Textile, Electric Supply and Equipment and Brewery issues. Of some interest, too, was revived firmness in British Government securities.

The support yesterday was attributed to a belief that the Chancellor of the Exchequer will shortly announce the terms on which new loans to replace the existing 2½ per cent. National War Bonds, 1946-48, and 3 per cent. Savings Bonds, 1955-65, now on "tap," will be issued. It is fairly widely assumed that these "tap" loans will be withdrawn and that the new loans will be offered on less satisfactory terms for subscribers in accordance with the Government's cheap money policy.

The Cape's favourite Kaffirs were stimulated by the high assay values disclosed in the latest cable of the Blyvooruitsicht Gold Mining Company. Exceptions to the firm tendency were Japanese Government Bonds and Oil and Rubber descriptions, which were depressed by the latest reports from the Far East.

SHARES IN DEMAND

A feature of Stock markets at present is the inquiry for shares of companies which are likely to recover after the war, the demand having been encouraged by the war news from Russia, which has increased the hope of a shortening of the war. It is frequently found when enquiry is made for such shares that the market supply is short, as holders are naturally unwilling to sell if they consider that the companies concerned will become more prosperous when peace returns.

Among such shares which have improved recently are Bradley's (Chepstow Place) Ord., Maynard Ord., Gas, Light and Coke Ord., Spiers and Pond Ord. and 4½ p.c. Pref., and Savoy Hotel Ord. In these instances no dividend has been paid for periods ranging from 10 months to 9½ years.

The increased profits reported by Shipping companies have led to a stiffer recovery in the 5 p.c. and 6 p.c. Pref. Stocks of Cunard Steam, although there has been no payment on these since 1931. Similarly, there has been a speculative demand recently for the Preference Stocks of Calico Printers, Bradford Dyers, Fine Spinners, and Bleachers Association, as it is hoped that the more prosperous conditions now existing in the textile industry will enable the arrears of dividends to be dealt with.

Another sign of increasing optimism about the war is seen in the higher prices recorded for heavily depreciated British Government Securities, such as Poland 4½ p.c., Czecho 8 p.c., and German 4½ p.c. and 3 p.c. French Bonds have also been firmer.

TEXTILE INDUSTRY

In his review of the company's business during the year to 30th June last, Mr. J. B. P. Fletcher, a director of Tootal Broadhurst Lee Co., spinners and manufacturers, refers to the unusual problems created in the textile industry by Government legislation.

The Prices of Goods Act and the Limitation of Supplies Orders have operated throughout the financial year, and in the latter part the company also had to contend with the scheme for the concentration of industry and the Board of Trade Order for the rationing of certain of cotton piece goods. The necessity for these measures cannot be questioned, says Mr. Stevens, but the situation created means (but in most cases) that the company's forward trade drive has had to be halted and put into reverse. The contraction in the regular home trade business has been serious. Most of the Empire markets in which the company had a considerable turnover have been closed. Others have been severely affected by exchange difficulties. On the other hand, the company has been able to obtain some business for Government departments which has helped the turnover.

In regard to the coupon system, Mr. Stevens considers this should result in an increased demand for guaranteed products, and from this the company should benefit, although a larger demand would only increase business on any appreciable extent if the restrictions under the Limitation of Supplies Order are maintained.

The directors are looking ahead and planning for the future, when of interest to shareholders is the news that the company has been granted nucleus status in respect of its spinning and weaving plants under the scheme for concentrating textile production.

COMPANY REPORT

The full report of Tootal Broadhurst Lee discloses that the profit of £280,036 was struck after deducting E.P.T. war damage, depreciation, etc., but before charging income tax. The corresponding balance for 1939-40 was £262,237. The appropriation for reserve for income tax and N.D.C. is £5,000 larger at £150,000, leaving net profit at £70,036, against £117,237. As already announced, the year's distribution on the Ord. capital again totals 12½ p.c. (including 2½ p.c. cash bonus); and the balance forward is raised by £4,428 to £104,056. Last year £65,000 was added to general reserve (bringing that fund up to £500,000), but nothing is transferred this year.

An important change in the balance-sheet, in view of the drastic reduction in textile production in Lancashire, is an increase of £131,377 in the stock to £1,306,752, while further investments in War Bonds and short-term deposits are responsible for an expansion of £134,951 in the investments to £291,250; but cash is down from £644,353 to £595,337 and debtors, at £470,541, compared with £532,850 a year ago.

COAL PROFITS SLUMP

There has been a fall of some £200,000 to £476,569 in the net amount available for distribution by Powell Duffryn Associated Collieries. With the aid of £40,000 transferred from reserve for contingencies, and the balance brought in of £103,502, there is for disposal a sum of £619,864. This is reduced to £469,864 by a transfer of £150,000 to general reserve. Two dividends have already been paid on the Participation shares, the total amount involved being £140,000. A further distribution of £94,130 is now recommended, plus the £40,000 taken from the contingencies reserve.

Powell Duffryn Steam recommends a further payment of 2½ p.c. on the Preferred and 4 p.c. on the Ordinary. This makes 5 p.c. and 5½ p.c., respectively, compared with 5 p.c. and 7½ p.c., respectively, a year ago.

Including the special payment from Powell Duffryn Steam, the Welsh Associated accounts show a total income of £178,389, out of which 1 p.c. and a special payment of 3 p.c. are to be paid on the Ordinary. After Pref. and Preferred dividends, there is a balance of £5,971 to go forward, compared with £3,834 brought in.

GOLD MINING PROFITS

Most of the Rand gold mines announced yesterday the results for working during July. Profits are appended, with those of June for comparison:—

GOLD FIELDS GROUP.

	July. £	June. £
Venterspost	57,473	59,368
Simmer and Jack	64,105	62,738
Robinson Deep	84,169	84,769
Sub Nigel	237,450	225,581
Vogelstruisbult	54,247	59,111
Kleinfontein	17,707	17,091
Luipaards Vlei	44,393	44,753

ANGLO-AMERICAN GROUP.

Brakpan	98,308	95,158
Daggafontein	225,070	226,415
East Daggs	75,083	75,083
East Rand	153,980	154,271
Springs Mines	93,031	195,547
West Springs	59,198	59,585

CENTRAL MINING.

City Deep	69,101	69,101
Cons. Main Reef	57,011	60,306
Crown Mines	299,713	287,954
Durban Deep	107,572	107,572
East Rand Prop.	113,023	113,023
Goldenhuis Deep	13,319	14,310
Modder B	64,011	60,416
Modder East	82,382	78,977
New Modder	108,256	69,671
Nourse Mines	33,963	34,004
Rose Deep	28,356	27,973
Transvaal Gold	4,598	5,642

JOHANNES GROUP.

East Champ d'Or	39,102	39,284
Govt. Areas	170,169	105,139
Langlaagte	10,163	9,091
New State Areas	122,183	118,115
Randfontein	140,244	136,168
Van Ryn Deep	15,129	20,178
Witwatersrand (Knights)	18,197	17,180

UNION CORPORATION GROUP.

East Geduld	247,578	247,495
Geduld Prop.	121,715	118,712
Grootvlei Prop.	146,098	131,508
Marievale Cons.	37,229	34,821
Modder Deep	11,641	16,161
Van Dyk Cons.	85,780	83,638

COMPANY NEWS

British Sugar.—Dividend 4½ p.c. (same).
Sitlog Rubber.—Net profit £7,866 (against £734). Dividend 10.416 p.c. (same).
Darwins.—Dividend 5 p.c. (against nil).
Fleming Reid and Co.—Interim 2½ p.c. (against 5 p.c.).
Lonrho.—Manufacturers of Cellulose Acetate).—Dividend on the Ordinary 6 p.c. (same).
Lookerpere Tea.—Profit £4,949 (against £4,551). Dividend 5 p.c. (same).
Mount Austin (Jabera) Rubber.—Profit £77,515 (against £48,726). Dividend 6 p.c. (against nil).
Metal Box.—Net profit £195,706 (despite £104,290). Final dividend 10 p.c. and bonus of 2½ p.c. (same).
Morley Tile (Holding).—Prif. dividend postponed.
Parker's Burston Brewery.—Net profit £51,520 (against £58,348). Ordinary dividend 14 p.c. (same).

£106,000,000 LOAN
BRITAIN CALLS UP U.S. STOCKS

The British Treasury announce that an Order has been made specifying the American Securities which the owners are required to place at the disposal of the Treasury for use as part collateral security for the loan of £106,000,000 from the United States Reconstruction Finance Corporation.

The owners are required to deliver the documents of title, accompanied by the appropriate lodgment form. This should be done through a bank or stockbroker. Receipts for the securities so lodged should be carefully preserved. They will be necessary in connection with any change of title to the securities and to procure their eventual return to the holders.

The securities will be released when no longer required to serve as collateral, unless the Treasury should decide that it is necessary to acquire them outright; or, in the event of default on the loan, in which case payment for the securities would be made in sterling on the basis of the market price at the time.

Meanwhile, the sterling equivalent of the dollars, etc., will be paid in accordance with the instructions given to the Bank of England on the lodgment form.

BRITISH REVENUE RECORD

A jump in revenue to the highest figure of the present financial year (£48,136,329) last week was offset by increased expen

PUBLIC AMUSEMENTS

GAIETY THEATRE ONCE NIGHTLY 8. MATINEE SATURDAY 2.30. JIMMY O'DEA in "SO WHAT?" A Comedy Musical by Harry O'Donovan. BOOKING DAILY, 10 A.M. TO 9 P.M.

OLYMPIA. 8.45. TWICE NIGHTLY 8. AN ORIGINAL MUSICAL COMEDY ROMANCE "AFTER THE BALL." Cast includes JOE DUFFY, TWO CLARTONS. Sparkling Comedy and Romantic Music. BOX OFFICE OPEN 10.30 TO 6 P.M. 'Phone 22202.

ABBEY THEATRE. AT 8.15 P.M. THIRD WEEK OF "PETER." By Rutherford Mayne. Box Office, 10.30 to 6. 'Phone 44608.

GATE LONGFORD PRODUCTION. Nightly at 8.15. Mat. Sat. 2.30. "LE BOURGEOIS GENTILHOMME." By Molière. Translated by Lord Longford.

METROPOLE TO-DAY at 2.30, 4.40, 7 o'c., 9.10. LOUIS HAYWARD, JOAN BENNETT, "THE SON OF MONTE CRISTO."

GRAFTON Continuous: 2 to 11. To-day, 3.30, 6.25, 9.20. DANIELLE DARRIEUX, JOHN LODER, in "KATIA." Also Jan Kiepura in "My Song for You."

CORINTHIAN. Lloyd Nolan in "Behind the News." At 2.30, 4.55, 7.34, 9.52. Bob Steele and Rufe Davis, "Under Texas Skies." At 3.45, 6.12, 8.40. Also "Junior G-Men," Chapter 2.

THEATRE DE LUXE Dublin's Super Cinema. 3.30-11.0. Camden St. Adolphe Menjou and Carol Landis in "ROAD SHOW." Showing at 4.34, 7.4, 9.34.

QUEEN'S FILM 2.30. SHOW 3, 5.46, 8.46. BACK TO THOSE HAPPY DAYS! QUEEN'S JESTERS. FRANK O'DONOVAN — NORA PURCELL, Kitty McMahon, Jimmy Harvey, Dick Purdon.

ASTORIA DUN LAOGHAIRE. BIG 1st BIRTHDAY SHOW. Alice Faye in "LITTLE OLD NEW YORK"; also "THE FLYING SQUAD." To-morrow (Thurs.)—"MELODY RANCH."

ASTOR—2 p.m.—11 p.m. Continuous. First Time in Eire. Fritz Lang's Production "THE TESTAMENT OF DOCTOR MABUSE." Starring RUDOLF KLEIN-ROGGE. Showing at 2.10, 4.25, 6.30, 8.35.

ROYAL DUBLIN SOCIETY.

JUMPING COMPETITIONS AND GYMKHANA EVENTS In the JUMPING ENCLOSURE, BALLSBRIDGE. Also **FLOWER SHOW** Arranged by R.H.A.S.I. **HOMESPUN EXHIBITION** (Members' Hall), staged by the Irish Homespun Society, and **NATIONAL ART DISPLAY** (Members' Hall). TO-MORROW (Thursday), FRIDAY and SATURDAY, Commencing at 2 p.m. each day.

ADMISSION CHARGES:
Jumping Enclosure and Flower Show Entrance by Gate "E," Anglesea Road. Children half-price. 1/-
Seat on Stand 1/-
Homespun and Art Exhibitions 6d.
Season Ticket admitting to all Sections (including seat on Stand if available) 3/-

ROYAL Show at 4.14, 7.52. Film at 2.37, 6.17, 9.22. "HULLABALOO NO. 4." HARRY BAILEY and HULLABALOONIES. BOY IRVING interlude. 2 Cartoons. GUEST ARTISTS. NOVELTIES. MELODY QUIZ. BERROLL, FLYNN, ALAN HALE, BRENDA MARSHALL, "FOOTSTEPS in the DARK."

REGAL ROOMS AT 2.30, 4.45, 7.0, 9.15. CINEMA 2.0, 4.24, 6.48, 9.12. GINGER ROGERS, in ACADEMY AWARD TRIUMPH, "KITTY FOYLE."

SAVOY At 2.0, 4.24, 6.48, 9.12. SPENCER TRACY, SIDNEY ROONEY in "MEN OF BOYS' TOWN."

CAPITOL TO-DAY AT 2.50, 5.10, 7.25, 9.40. Danielle Darrieux, Anton Walbrook, in "PORT ARTHUR." FRIDAY—ROBERT DONAT, GREER GARSON, in a Grand Return Visit of "GOOD-BYE MR. CHIPS." LUNCH IN THE OAK LOUNGE.

CARLTON SHOWING AT 2.45, 5, 7.20, 9.35. MARLENE DIETRICH'S LATEST—BIJOU OF THE SOUTH SEAS. John Wayne and Mischa Auer.

ADELPHI At 3.30, 6.25, 9.20. Joan Blondell, Roland Young, in "TOPPER RETURNS." And Frank Morgan, Donald Meek, in "WILD MAN OF BORNEO." At 2, 4.59, 7.58.

PAVILION DUN LAOGHAIRE. Con. 2 to 10.30 p.m. To-day—Ian Hunter in "GALLANT SONS"; also "Mexican Spitfire Out West." To-morrow (Thursday)—"DOWN ARGENTINE WAY," in Technicolor.

REGENT CINEMA, BLACKROCK. "NO TIME FOR COMEDY," and "GREEN HELL." To-morrow (Thursday): "ALL THIS AND HEAVEN TOO."

GREEN TO-DAY, 2.0, 4.25, 6.50, 9.20. MERLE OBERON, JOEL McCREA, MIRIAM HOPKINS, "THREE THREE."

FIRST RACE 6.30 P.M. — FREE CYCLE PARKS ALL Entrances. **PHŒNIX PARK RACES,** THIS EVENING. TRAIN LEAVES AMIENS STREET at 5.45 p.m.

LEGAL NOTICES.

NOTICE OF CHARITABLE BEQUESTS.

MICHAEL DANIEL JOSEPH GAVAN, late of 66 Summerhill, Dublin, Retired Merchant, Deceased.

Notice is hereby given that the above-named Deceased, by his Will, dated the 30th August, 1935, and Codicil thereto, dated the 9th November, 1940, made the following charitable bequests, viz.:—For Masses to be celebrated in public in Eire for the Deceased's intentions: To the Administrator for the time being of the Pro-Cathedral, Marlborough Street, Dublin, £50; to the Superior for the time being of the Church of Our Lady of Lourdes, Lr. Gloucester Street, Dublin, £50; to the Superior for the time being of St. Francis Xavier's, Upr. Gardiner Street, Dublin, £350; to the Prior for the time being of the Augustinian Priory, John Street, Dublin, £50; to the Superior for the time being of the Christian Brothers' Schools, North Richmond Street, Dublin, for the benefit of said Schools, £100; to Sister Agnes Barraud or other the Superiress for the time being of the Saint Vincent de Paul Female Orphanage, North William Street, Dublin, for the benefit of said Orphanage, £100; to the Superiores for the time being of the Mater Misericordiæ Hospital, Eccles Street, Dublin, for the benefit of the said Hospital, £50; to the Treasurer for the time being of the Catholic Protection and Rescue Society of Ireland, South Anne Street, Dublin, for the charitable objects thereof, £25; to the Superiores for the time being of St. Joseph's Asylum, Portland Row, Dublin, for the benefit of said Asylum, £50; to the Catholic Archbishop of Dublin for the time being to be applied by him in or towards the building or decoration of the new Church of Our Lady of Lourdes, Lr. Gloucester Street, Dublin, £200; to the Administrator for the time being of the Parish of the Pro-Cathedral, Marlborough Street, Dublin, for distribution amongst such of the deserving poor of the said Parish and mainly such poor as are resident for the time being within the District for which the said new Church of Our Lady of Lourdes was erected as in his uncontrolled discretion he may select, £200, with power to distribute the whole or any part of said sum through the local Conference of the Society of Saint Vincent de Paul or other Charitable Organisation; to the Sick and Indigent Roomkeepers Society (Incorporated), Palace Street, Dublin, for the charitable purposes thereof, £50; to the Superiores for the time being of Our Lady's Hospice for the Dying, Harold's Cross, Dublin, for the charitable purposes thereof, £100. And Deceased directed the said charitable legacies to be paid exclusively out of such part of his personal estate as might lawfully be appropriated to such purpose and in preference to any other payments. The Deceased died on the 6th May, 1941, and Probate of said Will and Codicil was granted forth of the Principal Probate Registry in Eire on the 25th July, 1941, to John Maple, of Lindsay Road, Dublin, and James Clare, of 66 Summerhill, Dublin, the Executors named in the said Will and Codicil. Dated this 4th day of August, 1941.

RYAN & O'BRIEN, Solicitors, 35 Stephen's Green, Dublin.

To the Commissioners of Charitable Donations and Bequests for Eire, and all other persons concerned.

EIRE.
District Court Area of Dublin.
District No. 21.

PUBLIC DANCE HALLS ACT, 1935.

SIR,—Take Notice that, on the 26th day of September, 1941, I intend to apply at the next annual licensing District Court, to be holden at the Metropolitan District Court, in and for the said City of Dublin, on the 26th day of September, 1941, for a Renewal of the License for Public Dancing for the house and premises known as ROSS'S HOTEL, LIMITED, VICTORIA TERRACE, and MELLIFONT AVENUE, DUN LAOGHAIRE, in the Parish of Dun Laoghaire, and in the County of Dublin, the Licence to be in the name of Mary Coldwell, Managing Director of the said Company.

Dated this 9th day of July, 1941.

MARY COLDWELL, Managing Director of Ross's Hotel, Ltd., Dun Laoghaire (Applicants).

To the Justice of the District Court for the said District;
The Superintendent, Garda Siochana, Dun Laoghaire Police Barracks, Dun Laoghaire, Co. Dublin.
The Town Clerk, Town Hall, Dun Laoghaire;
The County Registrar, Four Courts, Dublin.

CHARLES B. W. BOYLE, Solicitor for the Applicants, 68 Middle Abbey street, Dublin.

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Germany and Russia

In the old days it was difficult to follow the course of a campaign because news arrived too seldom. It is equally hard nowadays—but for the opposite reason, that there is too much news. For many weeks past German and Russian communiqués have given varying, and generally contradictory, accounts of what is happening on the enormous front between Finland and the Black Sea, with the result that no positive information emerges. The Germans are reported to be advancing rapidly here, the Russian Army to be counter-attacking with vigour and success there. A fortnight ago the Germans claimed that Smolensk was in their hands, but the fact continues to be denied by the Russians, who argue instead that severe fighting is in progress to the west of the city. Only the general disposition of the campaign is in any respect clear. Four great assaults are being made simultaneously upon the Soviet Union's western front. The strongest is directed against Moscow, via Smolensk, because an occupation of Moscow, the capital of all the Russias and the nerve-centre of communications, would be the heaviest single blow that could be inflicted upon the Russians. At the same time a powerful German force is driving against Kieff, the Ukrainian capital, three hundred miles to the south of Smolensk. In this region the Germans yesterday claimed to have captured Byelaya-Tserkov, southwards of Kieff, and to have accomplished a "successful encirclement" of the city. Thirdly, they are directing an attack in a north-westerly direction against Leningrad, with the object of cutting its communications with Moscow, while a Finnish force is trying to make its way around Lake Ladoga in order to take Leningrad from the rear. Finally, an army of Rumanians, having pushed its way through Bessarabia, so recently seized from Rumania by Russia, is moving towards the Black Sea port of Odessa. No detailed picture of the scene is possible. The general opinion is that the Germans continue to advance, but at a far slower rate than they had hoped, and that the technique which served them so well in France has played them false against the Russians, who, profiting by the lessons of other nations, have permitted the highly mobile Panzer divisions to pass through their lines, and then have cut them off from the following infantry. It would be too early to contend that the Germans have "failed" in their Russian campaign, but it is more than probable that they had expected to be in the streets of Moscow before now.

The alliance between Germany and the U.S.S.R. must have been uneasy from the first. So much is manifest from the performance of the Russian Army, which, to say the least of it, has surpassed any expectations. Two years ago, when the pact which raised the curtain upon the European war was signed, there was good reason to believe that the Red Army was in a state of the deepest corruption. It had been "purged" of high officers by the dozen, and of lower officers by the hundred, while the general belief was that it had been penetrated so thoroughly by informers and other political agents—all in the sacred name of Communism—that both its loyalty and its efficiency were subject to the gravest suspicion. A great deal of hard work must have been done to bring it into its present condition—work which could have been justified only on the assumption that there would be need of a large and highly efficient force in the near future. Certainly the Red Army has put up a good fight against Herr Hitler's veterans, and certainly its generals have studied the methods of modern warfare to sound purpose. Their curious combination of guerrilla and heavily mechanised warfare must have been a surprise to the Germans—who have come up for the first time against methods even more "unorthodox" than their own—while their "scorched earth" policy is bound to be an embarrassment. The new technique of warfare, like the technique of fifteen hundred years ago, requires that invading armies shall live upon the invaded territory; and the land which the Germans are seeking to over-run is one of the richest in the world. If the Russian policy is carried to extremities, there will be nothing left upon which the attackers may live; they will be compelled to supply themselves from behind, and their advance will be correspondingly slower. Yet Herr Hitler and his Chief of Staff, Field-Marshal von Keitel, are not people to be under-estimated. They must have foreseen many of the difficulties that would confront them in an invasion of Russia, and made provision accordingly. Perhaps, they have been acting on the assumption that the Russian troops will collapse all of a sudden, and, perhaps, the assumption is right, although the present operations afford little ground for any such belief. At all events, England shows no disposition to treat the Germans less seriously because their Russian adventure has been less "meteoric" than was anticipated. Mr. Churchill's warning of a week ago has cast cold water upon any facile optimism.

Dublin at Night

There never was much "night life" in Dublin—certainly not in the last thirty years—so that the virtual curfew which is likely to be imposed as a result of the curtailment of public transport services after 11 p.m. will not cause as much sacrifice as it would entail in cities where the evening's amusement starts later and ends during the following morning. Nowadays the theatres—especially the motion picture theatres—and the public transport services exercise a greater effect in deciding the hour for bed than any law on the subject, or any advice offered by clergyman or moralist. The great evening rush from the city centre to the suburbs takes place between 10.30 and 11.15 o'clock as the picture-houses empty. Then, for roughly three-quarters of an hour, the remnants are gathered by the last of the 'buses and taken home. The men who have lingered for a final game of billiards at their clubs, the theatre-goers who have concluded the night's entertainment with supper in town, the people who have been working late, eye the clocks apprehensively after 11.30 p.m. has been passed, and are inclined to begin more than one sentence in their conversations with the words, "My last 'bus goes at . . ." Dublin closes down between 11 p.m. and 12 midnight. Even those who have not spent their evening in the city accept the unwritten law that transport imposes, and go to bed at the accepted time. There may be sufferers as a result of the new "curfew." The receipts of the cinemas and night restaurants may show a decline; but, on the whole, the results should be of benefit while the present shortage of essential commodities lasts. Naturally, less oil will be used by the 'buses. In addition, a great deal of electricity will be saved, and, when colder nights are here, central heating appliances will be required for a shorter period than might otherwise be the case. The quantity of electricity and coal to be saved will be appreciable if people generally accept the reduction of an hour as something worthy to be regarded in the suburbs as well as in the city, and go to bed an hour earlier. They will be losing nothing, and gaining a little in health, if they move forward their day and substitute an hour of morning's light for one of evening's darkness.

Workers' Uniforms

As a rule, war tends to bring everybody down to the same level, not only in ideas and experiences, but even in such details as food and clothes. Since a shortage of materials must exist in war-time, it is reasonable that the manufacturers should attempt to save wastage by standardising everything as far as possible. In the matter of clothes most people in Great Britain, at any rate, already are wearing uniforms; those who have not joined the regular forces belong to some of the auxiliary organisations or the A.R.P. Services. As a matter of fact, apart from children and people unfit for military service—in addition to the so-called "reserved services"—the only members of the community who do not wear uniforms some of the time are workers in the armament factories and the like. It was recently suggested in Leeds that a "battle-dress" similar to the Regular Army's should be allotted to the factory-worker. This suggestion was not made as a result of the clothes rationing; Major Morris May, president of the Leeds Wholesale Clothiers' Federation, who originally thought of the scheme, had the idea in mind for some time before rationing came into force. "During the past twenty-five years," he said, "the suit used by the manual worker has generally been his discarded Sunday suit, and, at the time when the suit ought to be easy, it is tight after twelve or eighteen months' wear." The scheme, of course, still is merely in its infancy; its actual production depends entirely upon whether the Wool Control will release enough of the Cheviot type wool to make the suits warm and hard-wearing. Whether or not the scheme actually is adopted, the mere fact that it has been discussed shows the extent to which the community has become accustomed to thinking along uniform lines. In peace times nothing would induce one factory-worker to appear in a suit precisely similar to his neighbour. In war-time, however, the scheme would have many advantages. In the first place, it would save the working-man the necessity of deciding whether he should invest in a pair of corduroy trousers for five coupons and endeavour to rise above the subsequent quips of his colleagues, or whether he should use eight coupons on a normal pair of trousers for the sake of appearance. In the second place, battle-dress is more suitable for working than, as Major May puts it, a "discarded Sunday suit." The scheme seems to be admirable, provided that it ends there. It would be a sad thing, indeed, if every man and woman, no matter what his or her occupation, should have to wear the same sort of clothes.

Books by the Ounce

According to a report in the *Manchester Guardian*, the book-publishers of Great Britain have reached an agreement to conserve the available supplies of paper. The agreement has not actually come into force yet, but it is learned that they intend to try to produce books with not less than six thousand words to every ounce of paper. Up to the present, in spite of the severe shortage of paper, a large proportion of the books published was produced in a most wasteful manner, from the war-time point of view. It is true that many novels have been printed in smaller type than usual, and that some have appeared without any blanks at the beginning or end; but what little was saved in this way is more than atoned for by the number of books which contained large amounts of waste paper. The publishers of poetry and "arty" books generally do not seem to have stinted themselves at all; they have used large type, plenty of blanks, wide margins and, where necessary, one poem of four lines has appeared on a whole page, leaving the rest of the page decorously, but wastefully, barren of print. At the present time all books could be printed on standard paper, without any blank pages at all and with very narrow margins, in order that the necessity of resorting to small type might be avoided. Of course, such a system would be against all the ethics of the publishing trade, and the books themselves hardly would be things of beauty; but the main function of a book is as reading matter. Appearance, in the circumstances of to-day, is more than ever a secondary consideration; the main consideration is to save as much paper as possible without reducing the output of books to any great extent—although that, too, could be done without causing any great loss to English literature.

THE SUN.

	To-day.	To-morrow.
Rises	5.46	5.50
Sets	9.13	9.11
Lighting-up Time	10.13	10.11

COURT AND PERSONAL

The King at Buckingham Palace yesterday held a Privy Council, at which Captain H. H. Balfour, Under Secretary for Air, was sworn in as a Privy Councillor. Sir John Anderson, the Duke of Rutherland, Mr. L. S. Amery and Sir Walter Citrine were present. Later the King received in audience Mr. C. R. Attlee, Lord Privy Seal.

The Duke of Kent will meet Mr. Roosevelt on August 23rd at the President's estate at Hyde Park.

The Duchess of Kent attended an investiture of the Order of St. John of Jerusalem at Market Harborough last week and presented decorations of the Order.

A Memorial Service for Beatrice Lady Marling was held last week in Gloucester Cathedral. Sir Francis and Lady Metford were among those present.

Sir John Maffey, British Representative in Ireland, took part in a scratch cricket match at the Phœnix Club ground, Dublin, yesterday. He scored 21 runs.

The Swiss *Chargé d'Affaires*, M. Bonziger, called on the Lord Mayor at the Mansion House yesterday.

The Lord Mayor called yesterday on the Belgian Minister, M. Goor.

The marriage arranged between Lieutenant John Pedder Phipps and Una Mary (Bo) Clibborn will take place in Dublin quietly on 14th August.

The marriage arranged between Lieutenant Terence William Bradley, A.M.S., 68 Lower Mount street, Dublin, and Eileen Creedon, Riversdale, Monkstown, Co. Dublin, will take place on August 27th.

The marriage arranged between Kevin L. Barry, B.Arch., A.R.I.B.A., 10 Seapark road, Clontarf, and Patricia Hollis Mayne, 2 Lansdowne Gardens, Ballsbridge, will take place on September 3rd at St. Mary's, Haddington road, Dublin.

Doctor Colman Saunders has left 17 Fitzwilliam square until September.

Dr. T. M. Healy has left town until September.

Dr. Joseph Cookman has left town for three weeks.

Dr. Keogan has left 55 Fitzwilliam square for three weeks.

Dr. C. K. Byrnes has returned to 47 Fitzwilliam square and 20 Elgin road.

Doctor Richard R. White has returned to 35 Lower Leeson street.

Dr. Kevin Malley has returned to 37 Merrion square.

Dr. Preston Ball has returned to 46 Merrion square.

Dr. J. Geraghty will be away from 10 Fitzwilliam square until September 15th.

Dr. Margaret Merrick has returned to 30 Lower Rathmines road.

Thomas H. Gallagher, C.S.M.M.G., B.P.A., Masseur, has returned to 22 Upper Leeson street.

Mr. Andrew Gauly has returned to 25 Lower Baggot street.

Mr. P. J. Smyth has left town until 8th September.

Mr. F. W. Coyne, B.D.S., has left 36 Waterloo road until September.

Mr. Barry O'Donoghue has returned to 73 Lower Baggot street.

Switzers are showing an interesting variety of Early Autumn Coats in Alpaca, Lambswool and Cashmere, Camelhair and Wool, including the newest designs in "Jaeger," "Travella," "Countess" and "Two Owls." Leaders of Fashion in all Spectacle Wear, Dixon and Hempenstall, Grafton street.

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ON THE WIRELESS

TO-DAY

IRISH PROGRAMME

6.30—Looking Back To-day. 6.40—Stock Exchange Sports Results, Official Announcements. 6.45—News. 7.—Anita Fagan Trio, with Moira Griffith (soprano). 7.40—"Women Diariste": A feature by Patricia Hutchins. 8.5—Favourite 'Cello Solos. 8.35—"Sergeant New Broom." A comedy sketch by Philip Lodge. 8.55—Lawrence Hasson (tenor). 9.10—Irish Radio Orchestra (conductor, Lieut. M. A. Bowles). 10—Nunchi. 10.10—English. 10.30—An Nua-Bhanna Ceilidhe, directed by Proinsias O Ceallaigh. 11—National Anthem.

B.B.C. PROGRAMME

(Northern Ireland and British Readers add One Hour.)

6—News. 6.15—Recordings. 6.30—Records. 6.55—Lift Up Your Hearts! 7—News. 7.15—Kitchen Front. 7.30—Orchestra. 8—"Filmusic." 8.30—Organ. 8.50—"At Home To-day." 9.5—Schools. 9.15—Service. 9.30—National Sinfonietta. 10—Schools. 10.20—Records. 10.40—Viola. 11—Albert Burdon. 11.15—The National Eisteddfod. A word of explanation by Ll. Wyn Griffith. 11.20—"Happy-Go-Round." 12—Rhythm Rendezvous. 12.15—Orchestra. 12.45—Band. 1.30—"None But the Brave Deserves the Fair." 2—Music While You Work. 2.20—"A Highland Market Garden." 2.45—Music for Recorders. 3—"The Puppetoons." 4—News in Welsh. 4.5—Eisteddfod News. 4.20—Children's Hour. 5—News. 5.30—"The World Goes By." 6—"Under Your Tin Hat." 6.30—News in Norwegian. 6.45—"Right and Wrong." 7—"Noson Lawen." 7.30—"Under Suspicion." 8—News. 8.20—Orchestra. 9.0—"Dance Cabaret." 9.30—Concert in Gaelic. 10—Harry Roy. 10.40—Regency Trio. 11—News.

FORCES PROGRAMME

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6.30—Records. 6—News. 6.15—Records. 7—News. 9.30—Music While You Work. 10—Records. 10.30—Orchestra. 11.15—"Serenade in Season." 11.30—"The World Goes By." 12—News. 12.15—"Music in the Streets." 12.25—Harry Roy. 1—Organ. 1.30—Caravan Players. 2—Music While You Work. 2.50—"Wireless Puppets." 3—Radio Reconnaissance. 3.15—Peter Yorke. 3.45—"In An Old Curiosity Shop." 4.15—"Ack-Ack, Beer-Beer." 5—News. 5.30—Northern Music Hall. 6—"Identity Discs." 6.30—Ronald Chesney. 6.45—"Your Company is Requested." 7.30—Orchestra. 8—News. 8.20—"Think on These Things." 8.30—"The Old Town Hall." 9.15—Sextet. 9.45—"Balalaika." 10—Close down.

TO-MORROW

IRISH PROGRAMME

6.30—Looking Back To-day. 6.40—Stock Exchange Sports Results, Official Announcements. 6.45—News. 7—Celebrity Concert. 7.35—Between Ourselves: A practical symposium for women. 8.5—Organ Recital, relayed from St. Ann's Church, Dawson street, Dublin. Organist, William Watson. 8.35—Fifth Symphony (Beethoven). 9—"Giolla an Amarsin." Gearoid O Sealbhin do cheap. 9.5—Irish Radio Orchestra and Leo Maguire (baritone) in a programme of Irish music. 10—Nunchi. 10.10—English. 10.40—Regional Foort at the Cinema Organ.

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LONDON LETTER

80 FLEET STREET, LONDON,
TUESDAY NIGHT.

MANY people who ventured into the country for the holiday were murmuring to-day regarding the discomforts and inconveniences that they had to endure, but quite ignored the Government's expressed desire that they should not travel. To any suggestion on that point the answer is often returned: If the Government did not want people to take advantage of the day why not ban the holiday altogether, or, at least, ban the use of the railways? That the Government has such powers was shown earlier in the year, when all shops were called upon to remain open, and business was carried on as usual. The absence of any such direction on this occasion led people to make the most of a holiday which for many will be the only one this summer.

Vacant Bishoprics

It is but rarely that a British Prime Minister has so many bishoprics to fill as Mr. Churchill has now. At present he has four nominations to put before the King, and lately the Bishop of Norwich has announced that he will retire at the end of the war. The vacant Sees are Worcester, Southwell, Hereford and Newcastle. In the filling of these Sees the Prime Minister asks the advice of the Archbishop of Canterbury, but he is not compelled to accept it.

A Russian Problem

Questions concerning religion have for years affected relations between Russia and other States, particularly as people heard much of the godless campaign and the murder of bishops and priests in considerable numbers. It now is probable that a great change will take place in this connection, since the religious bodies in this country, including the Roman Catholics, have made private approaches to the Soviet Embassy, asking for some assurances on the matter before they can give their support to the present position. It is said that the request has met with sympathetic consideration at the Embassy, and has been referred to Moscow for a reply. It is possible that a statement will be issued shortly which will change the present conditions completely.

Egg Supplies

Consumers here may get more than the three eggs allotted for the whole month of August, but, if so, they probably will get fewer in September. It all depends upon shipments from the United States. The present issue is being made because heavy shipments from the United States arrived somewhat unexpectedly. The special consignment of cooking eggs—sold at three-halfpence each and allocated to registered customers under the control scheme—now is being distributed in certain areas, but many dealers are getting batches of bad eggs, with the result that customers dislike getting their promised supplies. One retailer says that he has received two cases of six hundred eggs each, but that all were bad. It is unlikely that the egg shortage will be relieved for some time to come.

Post-War Education

Mr. Westwood, Parliamentary Under-Secretary for Scotland, predicts that compulsory education for all young people up to the age of eighteen is coming, and, though it may not be possible to bring it into effect quickly after the war, it is intended to end the system under which the education of the mass of the population was regarded as complete at fourteen or fifteen. The scheme certainly will require great preparations. Many teachers of advanced subjects, new schools, and many other things will be necessary. If the young people, who normally are launched into the world at an early age, are kept at school for some time after peace comes, the step will be of the utmost help to the employment situation, which may then be very difficult.

Women's Land Army

Only a few weeks ago there was an appeal for new members for the Women's Land Army to take part in threshing in Kent. The appeal has met with such a good response that to-day no fewer than two hundred volunteers passed through London on their way to take up jobs. There were contingents from Durham, Northumberland, Yorkshire, Nottingham, Bedford and Devon. These women will be employed continuously from now until next spring, moving from farm to farm as required, and will have headquarters, where they will live. The farmers are delighted at the prospect of this additional help for the harvest.

Mobile Post Offices

British postal officials have performed wonderful work in areas which have been heavily raided by setting up temporary services to enable postal business to be carried on, but the arrangements have been mainly of an improvised character. Plans have now been made for putting the services on a more stable basis. As part of this scheme, the first mobile post office in London will be opened in the city to-morrow. It will be a complete post office on wheels, with five counter clerks and a staff of messenger boys. Similar portable offices are to be opened in other parts of Britain. The mobile offices are to be opened shortly as an experiment, so that when the necessity for their use arises they will be able to work in a practical manner without delay.

AN IRISHMAN'S DIARY

The "Salt" at Sandymount

My notes some time ago on Sandymount Strand evoke the boyhood memories of an "oul' residenther"—a very distinguished one, indeed. He writes:—

Before the Accommodation footpath—covering the Pembroke main drainage from Sandymount to the Pigeon House road—was made, the "salt," as the strand was called, ran down to Ringsend; the reclaimed area is now the People's Park. About sixty years ago a bathing place known as "Graham's" stood inside that space.

In my time it was called "Cullen's," but when the tide was cut out a new "Cullen's Hole" was made on the Green Banks at the back of the old coastguard station. It was a very rickety, but picturesque, affair of odds and ends of boards; a long gangway supported on stakes gave a precarious entry to the "Hole," which was partly surrounded by a crescent of crude boxes for stripping. The whole structure swayed and creaked, and the sound of the spring board and the wind-drying trot of the dripping bathers could be heard across the tide at Sandymount.

It was a man's world, and I doubt if anyone would dare to wear a costume. I think it would have been considered immodest. Oul' Cullen collected the "tuppinses," and kept out the gate-crashers with a full-size horse-whip—he was a holy terror to mitching chimzlers.

"Cranfield's"

The "faymales" abluted on the "Waxies' Dargle" side at Sandymount. There were a few brick structures dating from the late eighteenth century (when "the quality" had a few summer lodges at Tritonville), where they donned long bathing shifts of green or yellow baize. A "Peeping Tom" who was "curious" risked a clout in the face by a wet garment in the hands of the stout and vigilant matron who guarded the purdah.

"Cranfield's"—also near the Dargle—catered for the better classes, and there was another select ladies' place for the "say beething" near Merrion Gates. I think the chestnut of the "shower baths" remark, "Move a little to the south, ma'am," originated here.

The erection of Merrion Baths in the late 'eighties put an end to the Adamite amenities of Cullen's. I recall many memories of promenades to the music of the "Black Watch" and other noted bands on that pleasant pier. I remember one moonlit night when two bold hussies were ordered off for daring to smoke cigarettes, but they were foreigners from London, "with powdered faces, my dear."

The "Waxies' Dargle"

The "Waxies' Dargle" was a rendezvous on Whit Monday for poorer Dubliners who could not afford the fare to the real Dargle at Bray. Crowds trooped through Ringsend, where there was a roaring trade in porter, cockles, colliers, and "thraicle billy." There were fiddles and melodeons on the Green, playing sets, half-sets, and reels for the grown-ups, and there was "kiss in the ring for all." Them was the days.

The archaic bullets mentioned in the notes may not all be Napoleonic. They are probably the spoor of rifle practice at the "Shelly Banks," where in my time targets were ranged even for artillery. The "Banks" between the Pigeon House and the Poolbeg Lighthouse were washed away in a great storm about 40 years ago. I was told that a Highland regiment stationed at the Pigeon House had projected a nine-hole course on them. I remember banks of beautiful shells and the finest of sea sand. It was a nice goal for a Sunday walk, before people contracted the tram and 'bus habit.

By the way, is not the Martello of Ulysses at the "Forty-Foot"? Is the "Cockle Lake" named the "Cock Lake" on the ordnance sheet of the strand? and is not the depression geological rather than artificial?

Fresh-water Swimming

Swimming in canals or rivers is a far more pleasant occupation than sea swimming. While on a cycling tour we managed, by careful planning, to find a river or a canal every day. Of course, this took us on a pretty zig-zag course, but it was well worth the trouble.

First of all, there is grass, which is much more comfortable for sun-bathing than sand or rocks. Then, the weather is always favourable. If windy, it is easy enough to find a sheltered place for dressing; if raining, the same applies, unlike the sea, where sharp winds make bathing disagreeable and sudden showers bring disaster with them.

There is no wading, no skinning one's toes against rocks, no waiting for tides, no crowds nor ice-cream vendors; and although, in truth, sea water is more invigorating than fresh water, this advantage is, in my opinion, heavily outweighed by the many advantages of fresh-water "dipping."

"Under the Counter"

The shopkeeper is a much misunderstood individual (writes one), who has to put up with many insults from the public. Apart from this, in most cases, idiotic idea that he is coining money hand over fist, the new and irritating notion is widespread that he has everything "under the counter."

If the customer asks for dried fruit, and is told that there is none, you (the customer) may be sure that he has it "under the counter." And, of course, there is really no shortage of tobacco; it is all "under the counter." This necessarily restricted and sometimes non-existent part of the shop is chokeful of good things—in fact, everything that is scarce is really "under the counter."

Any day now I am expecting a vigilance committee of earnest, but thwarted, citizens to be set up to compel unpatriotic shopkeepers to disclose their under the counter riches.

QUIDNUNC.

IRISH WOOL CROP.

THE MANUFACTURE OF TWEEDS AND HOMESPUNS

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FROM "THE TIMES"

(*BY SPECIAL ARRANGEMENT.*)

COAL RESERVES

The Times remarks in a leading article to-day:—A lively apprehension of the insufficiency of our coal reserves was the dominant note of a debate in the House of Commons yesterday following a fresh statement of the position by the Minister of Mines. Although the eighth month of the year has begun, it is not too late to make good the more serious deficiencies if every one co-operates with a will. Some day there may be need for an apportionment of responsibility for the present state of affairs, but what, at the moment, is far more necessary is an increase of production and a controlled distribution which will ensure the sufficiency of supplies everywhere.

Sufficiency may not mean as much as every one would desire to have, but it must mean that public services and industry and houses have enough for their essential needs. There will have to be economy, there may be need for rationing the domestic user more thoroughly than was possible in the improvised scheme last winter, and certainly there will have to be a regulation of deliveries so that reserves may be distributed not with equality, but in relation to requirements and the accessibility of supplies in all conditions of weather and transport.

The outstanding question is how much coal will be produced. Unless the mines yield large additional supplies the outlook for the winter will be decidedly unpleasant. Output will not be brought up to the required standard unless the number of miners at the coal-face is increased. Twenty-five thousand good men would, it is estimated, make all the difference, but they must be good men, physically fit, and experienced coal-getters. For some time past the output of coal has been at the rate of 200,000,000 tons a year, and it ought to be at least 225,000,000 tons. Miners must be brought back from the other industries to which they have migrated—sometimes because they were without regular employment in their own industry, and sometimes because they were attracted by the reports of high wages paid to munition workers.

The response of former miners to the call to register themselves has been good, and, if the efficiency of those who have stated their readiness to return to the pits is as great as their number, the mines will be in a fair way to obtaining the necessary augmentation of staffs. But the volunteers must be coal-face workers if they are to meet the present need.

WAR AIDS

INVENTIONS FOR BELLIGERENTS

ASSOCIATED PRESS.

WASHINGTON, Tuesday.

Military authorities here give the following as among inventions which did help belligerents:—

(1) Radio-operated aerial torpedoes and machine-guns;

(2) An interceptor ray for precision firing on distant enemy positions;

(3) Shells to explode instantly after piercing the toughest armour;

(4) An air-cooled machine-gun as light as a rifle;

(5) A flat, air-cooled engine for streamline mounting in aeroplane wings;

(6) A recoil mechanism for mounting 75-millimetre cannon on super-bombers;

(7) Oxygen helmets for invasion landing by infantry from submarines;

(8) An electro-magnet gun from which shells would be "fired" by electric magnets placed at intervals along the barrel, and which would cut in and out as the shell passed through;

(9) A lubrication system to keep aircraft engines oiled during the beginning of a power dive;

(10) Aircraft ice-prevention devices and refuelling equipment;

(11) Remote control for aerial and marine torpedoes, land vehicles and ships;

(12) Improved gun and bomb sights;

(13) Light armoured clothing; and

(14) A petrol injection device more efficient than the carburettor.

FOOT-AND-MOUTH DISEASE

There were four outbreaks of foot-and-mouth disease yesterday, one each at Clogharistick, Leighlinbridge, Co. Carlow; Seskin Lower, Leighlinbridge, Co. Carlow; Tullowbrin, John's Well, Co. Kilkenny, and Kilderry, Co. Kilkenny.

Mrs. Andrew Knowles at Leopardstown Races.

BRITAIN'S COAL MAY BE RATIONED

TRAFFIC DICTATOR TO SPEED SUPPLIES

NON-INDUSTRIAL coal-users in Britain may be rationed this winter, but the scheme will not be unreasonable. Sir Andrew Duncan, President of the Board of Trade, gave this warning and promise in the House of Commons yesterday, when he wound up the debate on coal production.

He also announced that Sir Gilbert Szlumper, General Manager of the Southern Railway, has been appointed Traffic Dictator, to speed-up the distribution of coal.

Mr. D. R. Grenfell, Mines Minister, in opening the debate, stated that, as a result of the Government's recent "return to the pits" appeal, 97,000 ex-miners registered, 24,000 have declared their willingness to return, and 5,500 have already returned, or are on their way.

Well over 100,000 men had left the industry since this war started, he said, of whom 75,000 had gone in the past twelve months.

When all possible improvements in efficiency had been made there was hardly any prospect of maintaining the target of a ten per cent. increase of weekly output for the next three or four months without adding substantially to the man-power now at the disposal of the industry.

MAKING GOOD THE SHORTAGE

"By various cuts," said Mr. Grenfell, "including exports, and by economies, it is hoped that the greater part of the shortage already registered on the original programme will be made good before the end of next winter."

To meet increasing home requirements it had been decided to place further restrictions on shipments abroad—which would result in the release of a certain quantity of anthracite and Welsh dry steam coal.

There were now 1,250,000 tons of coal on Government sites all over the country. These sites, totalling 600, had a capacity of nearly 5,000,000 tons, and the stocking programme contemplated placing 3,000,000 tons on these sites.

Mr. Tom Smith (Labour) said that unless something was done quickly in the coal-fields about the question of safety the miners would rise up in wrath. "We are killing men at the rate of a thousand a year," he added.

MR. ANEURIN BEVAN'S WARNING

Mr. Aneurin Bevan (Labour) said that both the Mines Ministry and the President of the Board of Trade were "Aunt Sallies" in this debate, because they were not directly responsible for the situation. The responsibility, he went on, rests to a greater degree with the Prime Minister than with anyone else. The House of Commons has got into the wicked state of mind of imagining that economic problems can be solved by emotional crusades. "The fact is that we have a Prime Minister who listens to the generals more than to the industrial people inside the Government. The Government is the only enemy up to now that the generals have been able to defeat. Apparently, the generals have advised the Prime Minister that they need these miners in the Army. What is stopping them from coming back is the Prime Minister, who thinks about these things romantically and the 'brass hats' who advise him stupidly. Unless the Prime Minister puts this right we intend to go into the division lobby against him. The House of Commons cannot run away from its responsibilities."

Many speakers emphasised the need for releasing young miners from the Services.

MINISTER'S ASSURANCE

Sir Andrew Duncan, President of the Board of Trade, said that it would be a great mistake to exaggerate the situation into one of crisis. While the output of the last three months had not reached the figure set, the present stocks were at least a million tons more than those of this time last year.

In view of the growing demand, it would be necessary to transport this winter more coal than last, and Sir Gilbert Szlumper, General Manager of the Southern Railway had been asked to give his whole time for the purpose of co-ordinating all the efforts in relation to the transport problem by rail, sea or canal. One must expect that the problems of transportation would be so planned that many of last winter's difficulties would not be again encountered. He added: "Not a single ton of coal that can be used at home will be exported, unless under overwhelming national considerations."

ADDRESS ON IDENTITY CARD BOMBED

LONDON, Tuesday.

John Joseph O'Shea (25), a navvy, of whom it was said that he had "moved from lodging to lodging and job to job to evade military service," was caught by a police sergeant, who saw that the address on his identity card was that of a house bombed nine months ago. At South-West London Police Court to-day, O'Shea was sentenced to seven days' imprisonment for failing to notify his change of address.

WHITE RUSSIANS PRAY FOR VICTORY

"TIMES" TELEGRAM.

JERUSALEM, Tuesday.

White Russians, who have been living in Jerusalem since the last war, held a Service of Intercession for the Russian Armies and Great Britain and her Allies in the chapel of the Patriarch of Jerusalem on the Mount of Olives. Prince Peter of Greece, himself a Romanoff by descent, was present, and a distinguished company of visitors. There is a striking unity among Russians of all political views in face of the threat against their Fatherland.—(Copyright, per Press Association.)

BANK CLERKSHIPS.
Pupils of ROSSE COLLEGE, 55 Stephen's Green, Dublin, gained 106 Bank Appts. since Jan., 1940. Classes will be resumed on Mon., 18th Aug. —(Advt.)

AFTER-THE-WAR PROBLEMS

BRITISH LABOUR'S COMMITTEE

Mr. Arthur Greenwood, British Minister Without Portfolio, who has special charge of after-the-war problems for the Government, is to be a member of the Reconstruction Policy Committee of the Labour Party, which is to explore the whole field.

Other Ministers who will also be members include Mr. Attlee, Lord Privy Seal, and Dr. Hugh Dalton, Minister of Economic Warfare.

Mr. Shinwell is Chairman, and Professor Harold Laski Secretary.

Sub-committees are to be set up to examine such problems as demobilisation, finance, housing and so on. They will consult and co-opt experts in economic and social questions, foreign policy and other matters.

Mr. R. A. Butler, President of the Board of Education, is Chairman of the Conservative Committee on Post-War Problems, which also works through a series of sub-committees.

The Liberals, too, are studying the problem.

BRITISH DEBATE ON WAR

MR. CHURCHILL WILL NOT TAKE PART

Mr. C. R. Attlee, Lord Privy Seal, yesterday told the British House of Commons that Mr. Churchill would not speak in the forthcoming debate on the war situation. He himself would open the debate, and the Foreign Secretary would take part, if necessary. The Premier, he added, made a statement on the war last week, and it would not be convenient for him to take part in the forthcoming debate.

BRITISH SHIPS BOMBED

CLAIMS BY BERLIN

Yesterday's German *communiqué* states:—

"In attacks against British supply shipping, the Air Force sank, far west of Ireland and in St. George's Channel, two merchant ships of together 10,000 tons.

"In the battle against British shipping, Navy and Air Force have sunk 407,600 tons of enemy shipping in the month of July.

"Further, a large tonnage of enemy shipping was so heavily damaged that it cannot be used for supplying the British mother country for a long time.

"The enemy losses through mines are not included in these figures."—(Reuter.)

DUTCH PRODUCTS FOR RUSSIA

The Netherlands Prime Minister, Prof. P. S. Gerbrandy, broadcasting in the B.B.C.'s Radio Orange programme last night, offered Dutch products to Russia. "The Netherlands have no diplomatic relations with Bolshevist Russia," he said, "but the rubber, tin, bauxite, coffee, and tea of the Kingdom of the Netherlands will contribute to their support."

NO RUMANIAN OIL FOR TURKEY

ASSOCIATED PRESS.

ISTANBUL, Tuesday.

A reliable source here said to-day that the Rumanian Government had informed Turkey that she would no longer be able to deliver oil, petrol or any other of the exports she normally supplied to Turkey.

BRITISH OFFICERS MISSING

FROM REUTER'S CORRESPONDENT.

DAMASCUS, Tuesday.

Some seventy-five British and Indian officers captured during the Syrian campaign and flown by French pilots to an unknown destination, are still unaccounted for. All other ranks captured, including British and Indian troops, have been handed back in accordance with the terms of the armistice.

U.S. AND SOVIET

FROM REUTER'S CORRESPONDENT.

MOSCOW, Tuesday.

Answering inquiries regarding the result of Mr. Harry Hopkins's visit to Moscow, M. Lozovsky, Vice-President of the Soviet Information Bureau, said to-day that the normal relations between the Soviet Union and the United States continued. The discussions had concerned various practical matters, particularly certain types of American production.

DEPARTMENTAL ANOMALIES

POSITION OF THE BOARD OF WORKS

BY A STUDENT OF ECONOMICS.

PURSUING our studies of the ramshackle machinery of administration which has been put together since the twenty-six counties became a self-governing unit, we may now turn our attention from local government to other closely-related departments, whose variegated functions were partly inherited from the British *régime* and partly developed to give effect to later legislative departures.

In last Thursday's *Irish Times* attention was drawn to apparently arbitrary and confusing distributions of functions as between the Ministries of Local Government; of Industry and Commerce, and of the Board of Works section of the Department of Finance. Attention then was directed to such obvious energy-wasting expedients as the maintenance of separate organisations and inspectorates to deal with interwoven questions of National Health and Unemployment Insurance; to the needless duplication of engineering and architectural supervision by the technical advisers of the Board of Works and the Ministry of Local Government, and to the increasingly pervasive part which the Board of Works plays in activities that nominally are the responsibilities of the Departments of Industry and Commerce and of Local Government.

A FORCEFUL MINISTER

As this latter development has become specially marked since control of the Board of Works was assigned to an unusually forceful and energetic Parliamentary Secretary, and as the Board now seems to have assumed special responsibility for the initiation and supervision of emergency relief works or other plans to combat unemployment, it becomes necessary to inquire whether conditions demand the formal transfer of such duties—nominally those of Industry and Commerce and of Local Government—to the Commissioners of Public Works or to some other single and clearly defined authority.

As has already been pointed out, the present arrangement, under which three Departments share undefined responsibilities for the solution of inextricably interlocked problems, was hardly to be tolerated in normal conditions. Now that such problems tend to multiply, and to call for comprehensive studies and new methods of treatment, such anomalies have become serious menaces to every national interest.

REGIONAL AND NATIONAL PLANNING

Proceeding on the assumption that some one Minister and Department should be made primarily responsible for the initiation, the design and the prosecution of all works whose, main purpose is to provide employment during war and post-war emergencies, let us now inquire whether such responsibilities should be assigned to a sub-department of the Ministry of Finance. And, if so, what particular sub-branches and staffs of other Departments should be transferred to the Ministry of Finance?

Should, for instance, some more intimate relationship be established between Employment Exchanges—the operative link between the unemployed and the State—and the Department actually responsible for unemployment relief? Should the present arrangement under which the Local Government Department's plans for unemployment relief are merely proposals for consideration by the Board of Works (as technical advisers of the Minister for Finance) so be modified as to cut out the intervention of engineers and architects at the Customs House? Likewise—a question of primary importance—should responsibility for regional planning (which the Department of Local Government has completely failed to make effective) be handed over to whatever authority may be made responsible for the design and distribution of works of public utility? Or—must we continue the farce, under which a sub-branch of one specially authoritative and masterful department takes decisions of major importance to all conceptions of regional or national planning, while another department struggles in vain to impress local authorities with the dangers of unplanned development?

INDUSTRIAL PLANNING

Freely recognising that it is much more easy to frame such questions than it is to propound their practical answers, let us glance at some of the more obvious objections that may be advanced to any far-reaching scheme of departmental reorganisation. Do such readjustments necessarily mean that the Ministers for Industry and Commerce and for Local Government should disinterest themselves in employment problems? Does not the abiding cure for the ills of unemployment depend on the development of a sound industrial and commercial policy under the guidance of the Minister for Industry and Commerce? If so, why relieve him of any of his present responsibilities for the study and solutions of employment problems? Does the suggestion that the planning and development of all public utility and emergency relief works should be vested in some single authority mean that the Department of Local Government should relinquish its housing and hospitalisation and road-making activities?

To these, and other possible, objections one clear and comprehensive answer can be returned. It is, that such changes and adjustments as have been adumbrated involve little, if any, interference with existing Ministerial responsibilities. Not alone Industry and Commerce and Local Government, but other branches of administration (*e.g.*, the Departments of Agriculture, Education and Posts and Telegraphs) must be called on to contribute their counsels and quotas to the preparation of national development plans.

A CLEARING-HOUSE

Reduced to its simplest terms, the proposal now advanced is that some single State department should be constituted as a clearing-house in which departmental proposals can be weighed and integrated in some unified plan of national development.

If the need for such a sorting-office and national planning authority be conceded its status, its constitution and its functions remain to be considered. Would such needs most conveniently and adequately be met by extending the present functions and authority of the Board of Works? Or, do conditions call for the assignment of such duties to a separate department of State controlled by an independent Minister?

On another occasion reasons will be assigned for the view that the Department of Finance—whose traditional duties are, in effect, to oppose departmental plans which entail outlays of public funds—is peculiarly unfitted to undertake the initiation and development of public utility works. The Minister for Finance should not be expected to act both as promoter and judge of public works. For that reason alone, any extension of the powers now exercised by the Board of Works section of his department would be open to serious objections. If constituted a separate department with its own parliamentary head many of such objections would disappear!

STUDENTS' COATS STOLEN

TWELVE MONTHS FOR YOUNG MAN

At the Belfast Custody Court yesterday, Michael J. O'Rooney (19), Goward, Hilltown, Co. Down, was sentenced to 12 months' imprisonment with hard labour, for the larceny of 10 bicycles and 19 coats and mufflers, the property of students of Queen's University, Belfast.

It was stated that the accused got an introduction to the Students' Union, and used to wear the university muffler. A series of larcenies began, and coats and mufflers disappeared. The police were called in and a secret watch kept, whereupon the larcenies suddenly stopped, showing that someone was working with the accused.

The stealing of the bicycles then started, and, in all, ten were taken.

Accused said he had been employed in a city accountant's office. He intended to enter a religious Order.

Mr. Campbell, K.C.—I am afraid they will not have you now.

Accused—I have a letter to the effect that they will.

Mr. Campbell, having read the letter, said: "I see it is a nursing order. They might."

Accused admitted selling bicycles to neighbours at Hilltown at good prices. He told them they belonged to the students at Queen's who were going to join the British Air Force.

ABSENT SEA MEN HOLD UP SHIP

Prosecuting for the British Ministry of War Transport at a north-east English coast town yesterday, when six seamen were charged with having been absent from their ship without leave, Mr. E. N. Larke said he had been instructed to ask that the men, if found guilty, be sent to prison, as it was a serious case. The Bench, however, decided to fine the men £5 each. They were: George McQueeney, Laurence Robertson, Charles and Albert Yule, and Richard D. Ramsel, all of South Shields, and Wilfred Page, of Jarrow. Lieut.-Commander A. Ferguson, shipping liaison officer, said the vessel had been held up for nine days and had missed four convoys.

U.S. RAILWAY STRIKE THREAT

FROM REUTER'S CORRESPONDENT.

CHICAGO, Tuesday.

The leaders of nineteen railway unions to-day authorised strike votes among their 1,200,000 members, following rejection by the railway companies of demands for higher wages.

SCHMELING'S PROMOTION

NEW YORK, Tuesday.

Max Schmeling, German prize fighter, turned parachute trooper, has been decorated with the Iron Cross, First and Second Classes, and promoted corporal, according to a German Radio report heard here.

The report added that the fighter was now convalescing on his farm in Pomerania.—(Associated Press.)

LONGER U.S. ARMY SERVICE

ASSOCIATED PRESS.

WASHINGTON, Tuesday.

By 50 votes to 27, the U.S. Senate to-night rejected a proposal to limit the service period of Army selectees to a maximum of six months beyond the original year's training.

The proposal was offered as an amendment by Senator Taft to the legislation pending which would hold conscripts in service for a maximum of 18 months beyond the original year.

Mr. and Mrs. C. F. Power in the Members' Enclosure at Leopardstown Races.

AXIS AGENTS IN MEXICO

PROTEST AGAINST "BLACK LIST"

FROM REUTER'S CORRESPONDENT.

BERLIN, Tuesday.

Considerable surprise has been expressed in Berlin at the Mexican Foreign Minister's reply to the German note protesting against President Roosevelt's "black list" of firms engaged as agents for Germany or Italy in Mexico. The Minister's note, says the German Foreign Office organ, *Dienst aus Deutschland*, cannot be said to be in accordance with international practice, nor does it constitute an adequate reply. "The German Minister," it adds, "took up the subject of the 'black list' with reference to both Mexican and international law, pointing out the serious injury which this system would cause to German trade in Mexico. The German Minister also made various proposals to the Mexican Government in his note with a view to avoiding such damage to German trade."

Germany's note urged the Mexican Government to protest to President Roosevelt against his "black list" of individuals and firms engaged as agents for Germany or Italy with whom Americans are forbidden to trade in Mexico. The Mexican Government not only refused to make any such protest, but expressed its sympathy with President Roosevelt's measure.

Little Miss M. Donnelly admiring Pekingese entries at the recent Dun Laoghaire Canine Society's Dog Show.

"HE ALWAYS GAVE HIMSELF UP"

"I was never caught by a policeman in my life. I always gave myself up."

So said John Bennett, of no fixed abode and with forty-seven convictions, when charged at Belfast Custody Court yesterday with the larceny of four brass candlesticks and a quantity of tobacco leaf, the property of some person unknown.

Constable McMenamin said that he arrested defendant for drunkenness and found the articles in his possession.

Accused said that he bought the candlesticks and tobacco from a man in a public-house for 2s.

Answering Mr. Campbell, R.M., who asked where he got the money, the accused said a man gave him 2s. and a tip about a horse. He put the 2s. on the horse and it won, bringing him 14s. Accused was unable to remember the name of the horse, time of race, or the meeting at which it won.

Mr. Campbell ordered him one month for receiving.

MORNING RAID ON SCOTTISH COAST

Bombs were dropped by raiding aircraft on a town on the North-East Scottish coast early to-day, says the Press Association. Damage was caused to property, but there were no casualties.

FROM THE LEGAL DIARY

LAW NOTICES—Wednesday, Aug. 6.

HIGH COURT OF JUSTICE.

The Taxing Masters' Office. Master O'Hanlon, at 11 o'clock. Exparte Taxations—Eckert v. owners of s.s. Everoja, Hoey and Denning; McEvoy v. owners of s.s. Otto, Hoey and Denning; same v. same, Hoey and Denning; McEvoy and another v. owners of s.s. Piret and s.s. Mall, Hoey and Denning; same v. same, Hoey and Denning; Zarine v. owners of s.s. Ramava, Hoey and Denning; same v. same, Hoey and Denning; McEvoy and another v. owners of s.s. Piret and s.s. Mall, Hoey and Denning.

CENTRAL CRIMINAL COURT

The next sittings of the Central Criminal Court will open at Green Street Courthouse, Dublin, on Monday, October 13.

CHURCH SERVICES

ST. PATRICK'S CATHEDRAL.—Transfiguration. Holy Communion in the Lady Chapel at 8 and 11 a.m. Matins at 10 o'clock. Psalm, 30. Chants, 97-98. Urbs Fortitudinis, 16. Anthem, "Song of hope," Stanford. Evensong at 4 o'clock. Psalm, 32. Chant, 65. Nunc Dimittis, Wood in E flat. Anthem, "Lord, for Thy tender mercy's sake," Farrant.

CHRIST CHURCH CATHEDRAL.—The Transfiguration of Our Lord. Matins at 10.45 o'clock. Venite, 102. Psalm, 31 (105, 106). Jubilate, 112. Litany. Holy Communion in the Lady Chapel at 11.30 a.m. Evensong at 3 o'clock. Psalm, 38 (107). Magnificat. Nunc Dimittis, Richard Farrant (d. 1580) in G minor. Anthem, "Joy, joy of man's desiring," J. S. Bach (1685-1750).

ST. ANN'S CHURCH.—Festival of the Transfiguration. Holy Communion at 8 and 11.30 a.m.

FIRST CHURCH OF CHRIST, SCIENTIST, Dublin, Lower Baggot street (a branch church of The Mother Church, The First Church of Christ, Scientist, in Boston, Mass.). Services—Sunday, 11.30 a.m. and 7 p.m. Sunday School, 11.30 a.m. Wednesday Testimony Meeting, 8 p.m. Christian Science Reading Room (same address) open daily from 12 noon.

ENGLISH MINE DISASTER

MEN STAYED BEHIND TO EAT

The twenty-two men who lost their lives in the colliery explosion at Crigglestone, Yorkshire, had finished work and had stayed behind to have something to eat, it was disclosed at the resumed Wakefield inquest yesterday.

Three men escaped with injuries, and one of the survivors, Albert Fawcett, who was working his first shift at that colliery, said: "There was a bang. I never saw any flash. I seemed to be lifted out of the tub and thrown down. I picked myself up and continued to walk out. I thought I saw three lights behind me. I did not notice any smoke, and I did not notice any gas."

Fawcett had been working with the coal-cutting machine, but he said that it had showed no sign of heat during the cutting.

Ernest Moore, pit deputy, said that he was in the main haulage road when he heard a thump and then felt a violent blast, followed by some dust. There was neither smell nor smoke. He telephoned to the pit top. He heard a cry 30 or 40 yards away, and found Ernest Broadhead, who thought his leg was broken. Then he heard Fawcett cry out, "Shine me a light." After helping Fawcett out he went back and found Tunnicliffe, the charge man, lying dead on his side. He heard a man breathing, but could not get to him because of gas.

Replying to Major H. J. Humphrys, Divisional Chief Inspector of Mines, Moore said that he had found gas in that district about a month ago.

Major Humphrys—Did you report it?—No, it cleared. It was not dangerous.

Major Humphrys—If you find gas at all it is your duty to report it, even if it does clear.

Moore added that the second time he visited the place he found no gas.

Harry Morris said that he walked out of the pit and heard no explosion. Two other men also got clear away.

It was stated that the two injured men in hospital, Broadhead and Kennett, were not yet fit to give evidence.

The Coroner adjourned the inquest until August 20.

MEMORIAL SERVICE TO SIR EMSLEY CARR

The British Prime Minister was represented at the Memorial Service at St. Dunstan in the West, Fleet street, London, yesterday, to Sir Emsley Carr, who was for fifty years Editor-in-Chief of the *News of the World*.

Viscount Hood represented Mr. Brendan Bracken, the Minister of Information, and others present included Mr. Bernard Alton, secretary, representing the Newspaper Proprietors' Association; Mr. W. T. Bailey, president, and Mr. H. B. Davies, general secretary, representing the Newspaper Society, and Mr. Henry Martin, Editor-in-Chief of the Press Association.

SEED WHEAT FOR 1941-'42

The Minister for Agriculture states that it is not anticipated that supplies of imported seed wheat will be available during the coming sowing season. Farmers are, therefore, strongly advised to make arrangements to reserve for seed stocks of both winter and spring varieties sufficient to meet their requirements, or to arrange with a seedsman to reserve seed on their behalf. Growers need have no hesitation in using home-grown seed which has been properly handled. Where seed wheat has to be kept for sowing next spring storage in well-made stacks is strongly recommended.

POST OFFICE LEARNERS. Next Exam. Dec., 1941. Oral & Postal Classes. SKERRY'S COLLEGE, Dublin. —(Advt.)

SOVIET WILL HOLD OUT

VIEW EXPRESSED IN AMERICA

Writing on the Russo-American agreement, *The Times'* Washington correspondent says:—

There were long and difficult discussions between American officials and the Russian Military Mission, headed by General Golikoff, before the Executive Notes were signed on August 2. One feature of this discussion—though this, perhaps, will now disappear—was the extreme reserve with which the Russians met any question concerning their reserves in men and materials.

It is possible, though by no means certain, that Mr. Harry Hopkins found less secretiveness in Moscow. Only one thing apparently has been divulged—the fact that the Russians had made a close study of the German campaigns in France and the Balkans and had striven to adapt their tactics accordingly.

SOVIET RESISTANCE

Some indirect reinforcement of the feeling among professional soldiers here that Russian resistance may be strong enough to hold until and through winter came from the reports of American Consular officials recently repatriated. They have spoken not only of depression, discouragement and dissatisfaction in Germany, but are understood to have suggested that German leaders feel that a rapid and cheap victory elsewhere is necessary to distract popular attention. This, they predict, might take the form of the occupation of the Spanish and Portuguese Atlantic coasts and the "defensive" seizure of French ports and bases.

Here the question of Vichy comes in, and it is, perhaps, significant that the Secretary of State (Mr. Cordell Hull) told the Press to-day that he was "hoping every hour to hear from the United States Ambassador there."—(Copyright, per P.A.)

NEW SHIPPING COMPANY

Negotiations for the purchase of two ships have been undertaken by a new Irish company, the Claddagh Shipping Co., Ltd.

The objects of this company are "to purchase, take in exchange or otherwise acquire and hold, ships and vessels or any shares or interest in ships or vessels, etc."

Two men already well-known in the ship brokerage business are the first directors.

Mr. R. F. Burke told an *Irish Times* reporter last night that the new company was really a development of the old firm of R. A. Burke, shipbrokers, of Eden Quay, Dublin. "Since the establishment of R. A. Burke that firm has as agents handled a large proportion of the foreign tonnage here. The £20,000 capital of the new company is purely nominal, and very considerable expansion is, of course, certain. The reason for 'Claddagh' in the name of the new company is that my father was born there."

SOLDIER CHARGED WITH MURDER

Joseph Alan Sumby (20), soldier, was at Manchester yesterday committed for trial at Manchester Assizes, charged with the murder of Vera Kirkman (13), of South Lonsdale street, Stretford.

The girl's body was found by her mother in an air-raid shelter in the backyard of Sumby's home in Thomas street, Stretford.

In a statement to the police, Sumby is alleged to have said that the girl threw a ball at him and that when he told her to say she was sorry she began to struggle and scream. "I put my hand round her neck and told her to stop screaming," the alleged statement read. "I pulled at the belt she had on and somehow got it round her neck. She stopped struggling and fell on the floor. Nobody is more sorry than me."

It is alleged that the girl was strangled with her braid girdle.

Dr. Firth said she was dragged by the girdle from near the backdoor of Sumby's house to the air-raid shelter.

On Saturday last 110 girls were taken on a week's holiday to Sunshine House, Ballyriggan, by the Society of St. Vincent de Paul Sunshine Fund. Already this year 955 children (326 boys and 429 girls) have enjoyed a holiday at Sunshine House.

Dental Plates Need Not Slip

What Dentists say.

Dentists the world over recommend that every owner of a Dental Plate should sprinkle it in the morning with Dr. Wernet's Powder. That little sprinkle will keep the plate firm and comfortable all day long and help to prevent Acid Mouth and gum soreness. Try Dr. Wernet's to-day. You will be delighted. From all chemists.

AUCTIONS.

SALE THIS DAY AND TO-MORROW.

EXECUTOR'S SALE—Re ALBERT E. WOOD, K.C., Deceased.

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CAUSE OF COUNTY DUBLIN RATES INCREASE

COUNCIL "A POLITICAL WRANGLE"

THAT for a number of years Dublin County Council had been "nothing more than a political wrangle" was the reason given by Mr. P. J. Fogarty, T.D., a member of the Council and of the Board of Health, for the increase of rates, at an inquiry held by Mr. James MacLysaght, Inspector for the Department of Local Government and Public Health, into the conduct of the affairs of the County Dublin Board of Public Health, in the Boardroom of Dublin County Council yesterday.

The inquiry was adjourned until this morning.

At the opening of the inquiry, Mr. C. McGonigle, solicitor, announced that Mr. Fogarty had requested him to represent him there; and stated that the first intimation that Mr. Fogarty received that his presence was required at the County Council inquiry was the reports in the newspapers. Mr. Fogarty was anxious to give evidence.

Mr. Charles Casey (instructed by Messrs. McKeever and Sons), who appeared for the Clonsilla Ratepayers' Association, observed that, although the County Council had unanimously appointed counsel to represent them, several of the councillors who were represented now, appeared to be repudiating that official representation. He asked was Mr. Michael J. Ryan, K.C., who (instructed by Messrs. W. J. Shannon and Co.) appeared for Mr. Belton, T.D., representing Mr. Belton the T.D., or Mr. Belton the County Councillor?

Mr. Belton had not been called by the County Council, as he had expected to be called, answered Mr. Ryan. Mr. Belton, as a ratepayer, was an interested party, and was entitled to be present. He was there as a County Councillor as well.

Mr. J. A. Costello, K.C., who (instructed by Mr. Thomas Early), appeared for the Board of Health, stated that circulars had been sent to every councillor, and no reply had been received from Mr. Belton. In fact, Mr. Belton had refused to give evidence on behalf of the Board of Health.

Mr. Ryan—I should like to protest against the manner in which Mr. Belton has been treated here as regards the giving of evidence for the County Council.

CONSULTING ENGINEERS' FEES

Evidence then was called.

Mr. F. A. Maguire, acting Secretary to the Board of Health since last February, stated, in reply to the Inspector, that a number of prospective water schemes that had been formulated some years ago would cost almost £200,000. There had been a mix-up about one for £120,000. A consulting engineer had been appointed, but the Local Government Department would not agree to his fees of one per cent., £1,200—so his appointment had not been sanctioned. The matter now was in the hands of the Law Agent.

Inspector—The position is, therefore, that the Board proceeded to appoint a consulting engineer on a scheme involving the expenditure of £120,000 without the approval of the Minister?

Mr. Maguire—The Board, at a recent meeting, decided to refer the whole matter to the Law Agent.

The engineer's future development schemes included, he said, a scheme of sewerage for the Lucan area; involving an expenditure of £51,000.

Mr. T. B. Byrne, engineer for South Dublin, said that no commitments had been entered into in respect of the water and sewerage schemes in contemplation in his area. Sanction had been received for the appointment of a consulting engineer in respect of the proposed new £51,000 sewerage scheme at Lucan, but no other expenditure had been entered into.

Replying to Mr. Ryan, he said that he carried out a 900 yards sewerage extension scheme at Newlands, Naas road, in 1936, in anticipation of building that had not taken place. That scheme had cost £2,338, of which £1,800 had been borne by the Board and the rest by the Local Government Department by way of a free grant.

Since 1936 only four houses had been built there. Seven hundred yards of the scheme skirted the lands of Mr. John Dowling, Vice-Chairman of the Board of Health.

In 1939 witness turned down a scheme to extend public lighting, near Shangarragh Castle, on account of the cost. The next he heard about it was when he received a map from the Secretary, with a request to mark the public lamps on it. Public lamps had been erected.

Replying to Mr. P. McGilligan, who (instructed by Mr. C. Gore Grimes) appeared for the County Dublin Ratepayers' Association, he said that he was aware at the time of the Newlands extension, that Mr. Dowling was heavily in arrears with his rates.

Answering Mr. Costello, he said that the scheme had been sanctioned by the Local Government Department. No influence had been brought to bear on him by anybody in connection with the scheme.

Mr. F. P. Russell, engineer for North County Dublin, gave evidence of the various services administered in his area.

ENCOURAGED NOT TO PAY

Mr. P. J. Fogarty stated, in reply to Mr. Casey, that the reason he gave for the increase of rates was that for a number of years that Council had been nothing more than a political wrangle. Nothing had been preached but every encouragement had been given not to pay rates.

In 1936 he had moved that a rate be struck; a deputation had been brought in to howl him down; and it had been decided not to strike a rate. Mandamus proceedings had been taken against the Council, and several of the big ratepayers who had subscribed hundreds of pounds towards the costs went behind the backs of the other ratepayers and paid their own rates.

He had been asked by a Civic Guard Superintendent to make statements, and had "refused to become a felon-setter."

He knew, he said, that Balrothery Numbers 1 and 2 Districts had been outstanding in regard to arrears of rates. The work of the collectors in those districts had been made difficult by speeches made at County Council meetings. The rates position had been serious for a number of years, and a number of years ago he had made representation to have the Council abolished. On one occasion the police had to be called in to a County Council meeting.

WANTED COUNCIL ABOLISHED

Questioned by Mr. Costello, he denied that he was dissociating himself from his other colleagues, or was coming to give evidence on behalf of a political party. He was not endeavouring to turn that inquiry into an arena to air his own political grievances.

When the Fine Gael Party fell out, his party got into control. His representation that the Council should be abolished went back to 1934.

In reply to Mr. Ryan, he said that the only thing one thought about in the election of a chairman was "the party," just as in the Corporation and other bodies.

Mr. Ryan—Do you agree that in a Council in which a former chairman, and a member who was vice-chairman on the Board of Health owe arrears of rates, it is time to have the Council abolished?

Mr. Fogarty—I think there is something wrong with it anyway.

U.S. PRICES JUMP

"INFLATION WOULD BE DISASTROUS"

FROM REUTER'S CORRESPONDENT.

WASHINGTON, Tuesday.

Mr. Leon Henderson, U.S. Price Administrator, informed Congress to-day that the United States is faced with "a most strong and pronounced increase in the cost of living," even if the Administration's Price-Control Bill becomes law immediately. The Government, he said, would have an enormous load in trying to prevent the nation's "dynamic and volatile economy" entering the inflationary stage. The United States's price structure was near the 1929 levels, and heading towards the 1919 peaks. "The country dare not take the chance of inflation; the result might be disastrous," he added.

ROTATIONAL EMPLOYMENT

PROPOSAL DISCUSSED

No agreement was reached at yesterday's conference at Inchicore between the chief mechanical engineer of the Great Southern Railways Company and the representatives of nine trades unions catering for employés in the company's road transport works at Broadstone on the question of rotational employment for these workers.

Some weeks ago the Minister for Industry and Commerce requested the railway companies and the unions to consider the adoption of such a system.

It is understood that the majority of the unions concerned are opposed to rotational employment, and are in favour of continuing the system under which retention in the company's services is by seniority.

The unions agreed to report back to their members and executives on the proposal, and to reply to the company before Wednesday next.

BRIBERY CHARGE IN SCOTLAND

ALLEGATION ABOUT ARMY CONTRACTS

Alleged bribes about information in respect of Army contracts were mentioned at Edinburgh Sheriff Court yesterday, when John Sloan Larmour, a contractor, was remitted to the High Court for sentence.

The indictment stated that Larmour at various places in Edinburgh, including hotels and restaurants, corruptly gave a number of persons serving under the Crown sums of money as inducements or rewards for supplying information to him as to the names of persons to be invited to tender for contracts to be placed by the War Department for supplies and the amount of tenders submitted for such contracts, contrary to the Corrupt Practices Act.

The money advanced as alleged bribes by Larmour, shown in a schedule attached to the charge, was said to total about £1,500.

According to this statement, a man with a Belfast address received £449; an Army lieutenant £215, a member of the Forces £182, another member of the Forces £123, an Edinburgh clerk £139, while a number of the members of the Forces, including staff sergeant-majors, received smaller sums.

UNEMPLOYMENT IN THE NORTH

The number of men aged 18 and over registered as wholly unemployed in Northern Ireland on the 14th July was 11,839, or 20,853 less than a year before.

The number of women aged 18 and over registered as wholly unemployed on 14th July was 17,756, a decrease of 4,548 as compared with a year before.

The figure for juveniles was 2,830.

On 14th July there were, in addition, 4,971 persons registered as temporarily suspended from work, an increase of 1,265 as compared with 16th June.

WAR DAMAGE BILL

SENATE DEBATE TO-DAY

The Committee stage of the Neutrality (War Damage to Property) Bill and the second stage of the Trade Union Bill will be discussed by the Senate to-day and to-morrow. The House probably will adjourn this week to August 21 to enable amendments to be tabled for the Committee stage of the Trade Union Bill.

SLEEP-WALKER'S TRAGEDY

Henry Seabrook (42), a demolition worker, of Pentonville, London, was a sleep-walker. He was found impaled on railings outside his home.

In hospital he told his wife "I have been sleep-walking again and walked out of the top window."

Accidental death was yesterday's inquest verdict. Seabrook's two children are sleep-walkers too.

DUBLIN 'BUS MEN TO MEET

Meetings of the 2,000 men involved will be held next week to consider the adjustments in employment necessary to meet the reduction in the Dublin United Transport Company's services. This was decided at last night's meeting of the Tram and 'Bus branch of the Irish Transport and General Workers' Union.

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HIGHER PRICES FOR CORN

THE BEET GROWERS' DEMANDS

IF wheat-growers found that feeding stuffs cost more than they got for the wheat harvest they would be tempted to feed stock on wheat, as far as possible, instead of letting the wheat out for human consumption. This would, to a large extent, defeat the Government's food-growing campaign.

It was stated at the annual meeting of the Beet-Growers' Association in Dublin yesterday that this might happen, with the present discrepancy between wheat and feeding prices, but the general tone of the meeting was against the suggestion. The matter was first mentioned by Mr. J. Kearney, Kerry Farmers' Union, who stated that the farmers of his county would be in favour of holding the wheat. Mr. J. Sinnott, Wexford, said that the farmers had a duty to the State, and any increase in wheat prices would mean all-round increases in labour and other costs.

Mr. M. Corry, T.D., was inclined to think that the threat was real enough, and he suggested that the price of wheat should be anchored to that of barley meal. With wheat at £16 a ton farmers were not going to pay up to £20 a ton for feed. Mr. O'Donoghue, Cork, said that it was criminal to suggest that such a thing should be done. It was not in the tradition of the farmers of the country. They should make a case for increased prices without such a threat. Mr. C. Meaney, T.D., said that the buyers of barley and oats should be restricted to a reasonable profit.

Mr. J. Hughes, T.D., said that the farmers had done their job well in the emergency. Present prices for beet and wheat were not attractive, and the danger of wheat being withheld was such that the Government should recognise it and avoid it by increasing prices.

HIGHER PRICES

The discussion arose on the proposition of Mr. M. Scully, that the prices of beet for next season should be reviewed. He suggested a reduction in the required sugar content from 17.5 per cent. to 16 per cent., and that for beet of 16 per cent. sugar content and under £3 a ton should be paid, with an additional 5d. for every point over the 16 per cent. For wheat, £2 a barrel was a ridiculous price. The Minister should call for a two years' supply of 3,000,000 barrels. That would ensure 50 per cent., perhaps 80 per cent., grass tillage. There was a danger of wheat being held for feeding purposes and not put on the market.

The resolution was passed unanimously.

A resolution was proposed by Mr. P. O'Donoghue urging rigid control of prices and distribution of seed and manures, and that manures for beet-growing should be given to the Sugar Company for distribution to growers. Mr. J. M. Greene said that he understood that there was any amount of sulphate of ammonia in Britain, and Eire should have enough bargaining power to get some of it. Some had filtered across the border from Northern Ireland. The motion was passed.

A proposition by Mr. J. Finlay, asking the Land Commission to defer annuity collections until after harvest, owing to the condition of the live stock industry, was withdrawn. It was opposed by Mr. M. Haverty, who said that it would give any backward farmer a chance to avoid his payments, and, by Mr. Corry, who said that the Land Commission always gave time to those who required it to pay.

Mr. Con. Meaney, T.D., called for State aid for a great lime drive throughout the country. The lime requirements of such a drive, which was necessary now that the country was thrown on its own resources, could not be got with the present kilns and quarries, and State money would be needed to open more. Mr. Haverty said that beet-growers should use more of the waste lime from the factories. It was difficult to handle, but it would pay the sugar companies to erect machinery for drying it and making it easy to use. It would save them the expense of space to dump it, as at present.

Mr. Meaney's resolution was passed.

Other resolutions passed asked that the prices of crushed oats and barley be published before the farmers sold their crops; that licensed and unlicensed vehicles should be permitted to haul beet next season and that the same facilities be given to private hauliers to transport beet as to public companies.

TRANSPORT REPORT

Mr. O'Donoghue referred to the majority report of the Transport Tribunal, which, he said, if implemented by the Government, would cause hardship on the agricultural community. The Council of the association, he said, should be instructed to safeguard the association's interests in that event. Mr. J. Hughes, T.D., said that the meeting ought to express disapproval of the report, and a resolution was passed disapproving of the report as published in the Press.

Senator O'Callaghan raised the question of cattle export quotas, saying that the Cork port had not had a fair allocation of licences. Mr. Corry supported him, and the meeting decided to press the Government for an increase in the number of cattle exported and a fairer distribution of the licences.

THE BEET CROP

The annual report, which was proposed by Mr. W. Mullins, chairman, and adopted, stated that the acreage under beet for 1941 was 76,462 acres, compared with 67,604 in 1940 and 40,761 in 1939. The total number of shareholder members of the association in March last was 30,580. The average contribution was 4s. 2d. per member. Messrs. Guinness had bought 800,000 barrels of the barley crop last year—100,000 barrels more than in normal years—which eased the situation resulting from increased acreage and better yield.

Last year's beet crop had turned out better than expected, with a much higher total tonnage than the previous year's. There had been no increase in prices for beet or pulp. In the 1939-1940 season the association marketed 15,461 tons of pulp and 24,500 tons in the 1940-1941 season. The shortage of other feeding stuffs had led to the complete disposal of the pulp on hands. During 1940 the association undertook the organisation of tobacco-growers, and though there was no increase in the Government bonus the good crop and quality of the leaf had brought prices up. The Government had increased the difference between the Customs duty and the Excise duty from 10d. to 1s. 1d. per lb. for the 1941 crop, so that growers should make full use of the opportunity.

Mr. William Mullins and Mr. John Seymour were re-elected Chairman and Vice-Chairman, respectively, for the coming year. The Council's sub-committee was also re-elected.

DO NOT DIRTY THE BARRACK FLOOR

GUARDS HAVE TO PAY FOR THE CLEANING

THE Royal Irish Constabulary did not like people to dirty their station floors.

This is suggested in an article in this month's *Garda Review* by Sergeant P. J. Gallagher, in which he says that Civic Guards have to contribute towards the cost of cleaning public offices at the Garda stations.

Sergeant Gallagher refers to a recent refusal to sanction an allowance to meet the cost of cleaning these offices. "Why the Gards," he writes, "of all State servants should pay a monthly contribution from their own attenuated resources to meet the charges arising from the cleaning of the public offices at their stations is beyond comprehension."

Sergeant Gallagher remarks that no such provision was made for the Royal Irish Constabulary, but conditions are now different. Virtually every R.I.C. station included at all times an unmarried personnel who maintained a mess and one or more barrack servants who undertook the cleaning at a trifling cost. A big percentage of the Garda stations do not include a mess, and thus a special cleaner is engaged. The strength of the R.I.C. stations permitted the detailing of a member of the station party for fatigue duty, but in the case of the Gards, who have wider duties, this is not practicable.

It must be remembered, too, that the use of the police station as a public office was never so apparent in the R.I.C. regime as is the case with the Garda Siochana; in fact, the tendency in the R.I.C. was to discourage the public from visiting R.I.C. stations, and indeed it did not require any discouragement in many areas.

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An *Irish Times* reporter was informed that the cost of cleaning the station offices represents in the case of each Civic Guard a cost of about 30s. a year. The cost, it was learned, had increased in recent months as a result of the activities of the Local Security Force and the Local Defence Force.

IRISH NEWS IN BRIEF

Dangerous Driving.—A collision between two cars on May 31st, at Curraghcloghroe, resulted in John Buckley, Broomathmore, Aghamallow, being fined 50/- for dangerous driving, and 50/- for not having a certificate of insurance, at Blarney District Court yesterday.

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Doctor's Appointment.—Dr. Lennie, Rosehill, Glengormley, has been appointed Medical Dispensary Officer, Belfast Rural No. 4 District (Catmoney, Drumnewell and Glengormley) in succession to Dr. Loughridge, J.P., Whitewell, resigned on account of the state of his health.

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Three Months for Housebreaking.—At Malin, Co. Donegal, District Court, on charges of housebreaking and larceny, Robert Russell, Belfast, and James McHale, Derry, were sentenced to three months' imprisonment with hard labour, while Gerald McCrossan, Derry, was sentenced to one month with hard labour.

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